



39 Die Near London

Fog Claims

Afghan Jet

GATWICK, England (AP) — An Ariana Afghan Airways Boeing 727 jetliner crashed in dense fog south of London early Sunday killing 39 persons aboard and possibly some residents of a nearby farm house.

Latest reports said the aircraft, on a weekly flight from Kabul to Gatwick Airport, was carrying 45 passengers and nine crew members. Reports from the scene said 15 were pulled out of the wreckage alive.

The plane was on its final approach to the airport when it slammed into a plowed field, 1½ miles from the airport runway, and burst into flames, officials said.

The fuselage tore through

trees and hedgerows, demolishing a house where a family of four were believed to be sleeping. One survivor was pulled from the rubble of the building, a small child.

Twenty five ambulances were rushed to the scene and more than 50 firemen fought the blaze. Police threw a cordon around the area blocking off roads and country lanes.

A police spokesman said the majority of passengers on board the aircraft were believed to be Pakistanis. The plane's last stop before the crash was Frankfurt, Germany.

Some survivors were taken to Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead, which specializes in burns.

Gatwick Airport, 27 miles south of London, the city's second airport, had been closed since Saturday evening because of fog. Visibility was said to be about 100 yards.

Express Train Crashes

PADDOCK WOOD, England (AP) — An express train carrying 170 persons plowed into the back of a mail train in foggy countryside south of London Saturday night. Four persons were killed.

At least 14 persons were taken to a hospital, authorities said.

Firemen worked during the night to free trapped passengers in eight derailed coaches of the express.

Police cars, fire engines and ambulances had trouble reaching the crash scene, in open country away from any roads.

The express had been headed for the south coast resort of Ramsgate from London.

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INTERIOR CUT OFF

Freezing rain was blamed for

causing the avalanche which

also included heavy rocks.

The slide cut travel between

the Lower Mainland and the Interior.

There is no alternate route to the Fraser Canyon and Hope-Princeton highways.

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Monte Carlo TV Plan

Roulette Could Roll Up Ratings

By JOHN VINOUR

PARIS (AP) — The Monte Carlo casino is thinking about world export of Monaco's big national resource, the roulette table, via a gamble-at-home television setup.

You bet during the week with cards on sale at tobacco shops and then sit back Saturday night and watch the wheel spin.

The idea has the backing "in principle" of Wilfred

Groote, the director-general of the Societe des Bains de Mer, the company that runs nearly everything, including the casino, in the principality on the Riviera.

"We would go along," he said Saturday by telephone in Monte Carlo, "but it's up to the promoters of the scheme to get all the necessary governmental authorization."

An operation through Mon-

aco's television station, Tele-Monte Carlo, is planned which would bring tele-roulette to France and Italy.

The way the game is conceived, bettors would go to a bar shop and buy one of the kinds of betting cards.

The first would be for simple bets—red, black, odd, even, any number from 1 to 18, from 19 to 36, or any single number. The last bet

the second card would be a triple bet. Players would pick three numbers out of five spins by the croupier at Monte Carlo. With the odds more than 5,000 to 1, the payoff would be big.

It has not been decided how much or little a person could bet.

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Royston Heart Case

In Houston "for so long as it is medically necessary." Mr. Johnson is also covered by MSA and a Crown Zellerbach major medical plan, continued by the company for which Mr. Johnson worked.

Mr. Johnson, who is staying in Houston to be with his husband, told the Colonist Saturday that neither she nor her husband had gone very deeply into the financial aspects of the operation.

"I am more concerned with getting Gerry a new heart," she said. "The money will work itself out. I have great faith. We will get it from somewhere."

She said that before she left Royston Thursday with her husband to fly from Vancouver to Houston, she had received by mail personal donations from "people all over the province."

"I've been just amazed at what people have done for us ever since they heard about this thing," Mrs. Johnson said.

She said Crown Zellerbach, for whom Mr. Johnson was once a boom crew foreman, paid for the plane trip from Vancouver to Houston for her and her husband.

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A voluntary fund started at Courtney Branch of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce has collected \$4,000. Another fund is accumulating at Douglas-Hillside branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia in Victoria.

Students from the J. P. Vanier senior high school in Courtney sang Christmas carols last week to raise \$350 for the Johnsons.

The Courtney Kinsmen raised \$1,800 at a bingo Wednesday night.

Mrs. Johnson said her husband underwent a battery of tests Saturday at the hands of several doctors.

Dr. Cooley was not one of them. He said he would probably not examine Mr. Johnson until Monday, and then there might have to be more tests before a decision could be made on whether or not to attempt a heart transplant.

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Pale Shadow?

ACCORDING TO Prime Minister Trudeau, any move by Canada to recognize Communist China would be made in defiance of strenuous objections raised by Washington.

This was the gist — or, at least, appeared to be the gist — of his remarks made in an interview for the BBC recorded in Ottawa before Christmas. Canada, he said, remains committed in principle to move toward diplomatic recognition of China despite the anticipated "waving of big sticks" by the United States.

In striking this somewhat bellicose and thinly disguised anti-American attitude — which he doubtlessly and incorrectly believes would please British listeners — Mr. Trudeau imprudently assumes two things: one, that the new Washington administration will make no changes in America's foreign policy, and two, that the United States would not hesitate to interfere in Canadian affairs whenever it felt like it.

Both these assumptions are dangerous and neither, perhaps, based on fact.

For instance, for a man so concerned with foreign affairs, it is incredible that Mr. Trudeau does not know that Washington and Peking have recently agreed to resume their Warsaw talks in February to further pursue their attempts to seek agreement on the principles of peaceful co-existence.

It is particularly significant that China has approved the resumption of the meetings at this time, inasmuch as until quite recently indications were that they would be permanently cancelled.

Peking's change of attitude, the London Daily Telegraph comments: "... by no means indicates that China has suddenly decided to make it up with America, but the fact is that Peking has not been in the habit of referring to peaceful co-existence at all for nearly five years and certainly not during the height of Chairman Mao's cultural revolution.

"Agreement for the Warsaw meeting, and the way in which Peking statements have been handling the announcement, are both among a number of signs that China may at last be pulling out of what seemed the mid-summer madness of the cultural revolution and all that went with it. The moderates, in particular the prime minister, Mr. Chou-En-lai, seem to be regaining control."

The suspicions which Mr. Trudeau harbors against the United States on the matter of Communist China are so ill founded at this time that it would be better if he kept them to himself.

That is, unless he is completely determined to have his international image cast in the pale mould of General de Gaulle's shadow.

Soft Life Exposed

RECENT DAYS HAVE given the people of Victoria and southern Vancouver Island one of their rare glimpses into the way of life common to so many Canadians during the winter months. It has not been particularly pleasant and it should certainly make us all thankful that — with aberrations — this Island is blessed with a more temperate climate than any other part of the country.

However, the stern reminders, when they do come, expose the fallacy of placing too much faith in our soft life.

In times of heavy snow and ice, neither the city nor the municipalities are able to handle the road clearance situation in the same expeditious way as say Montreal or Winnipeg. The mayors whistle for a soft wind, and that is about it.

Meantime, Victoria road users, unaccustomed to driving in extreme winter conditions, find themselves at the helm on roads to test even the most expert. The number of cars which flopped into the snowdrifts and were abandoned for the duration is the reply to the quality of the local driving ability.

Not that the motorist can wholly be blamed. It is true that many of them foolhardily took the road without proper equipment, while others making the best of the available supply of snow tires and chains found only too late that even with such aid, snow and ice driving needs special techniques and skills. Not many for instance realize that although most cars have only two driving wheels, the use of snow tires or chains on those two wheels only can create driving problems — such as jack-knifing — that make them objects of potential disaster on the road.

The cold snap also showed up that many Vancouver Islanders were not sufficiently insured to meet all the perils of damage to home and property arising from flooding, weight of snow on roofs and other abnormal weather hazards. Most insurance companies have policies to cover such "acts of God" but they have to be specified, and many people find these things out too late.

Assessment Boost

PROPERTY OWNERS have been assured that the increase in assessments which confront them now and in the coming year does not necessarily represent an increase in taxes. The boost in land valuations will in most instances be fairly sharp, because assessments have been held down by a 5-per-cent yearly limit on increases which has now been removed by the province. The result is that land is being reassessed back up to 50-per-cent of its market value, which in many areas has been advancing at much more than 5 per cent a year.

To the extent that property values are a fair basis for taxation, the virtue of this restoration of assessments to a uniform relationship to market prices is that it will produce more equity among owners and among the component municipalities of school districts. And it is true that because the increase is so general, its effect — of itself — can hardly be a distressing rise in taxes. Increase the value on which taxes are levied, and the same amount of revenue can be raised at a lower rate of taxation.

But one cannot pass it off quite that lightly. For there is the virtual certainty that mill rates, particularly for schools, will rise again. The Greater Victoria community is heading into an expensive period of hospital and sewerage construction, furthermore, and though a good deal of new development is expanding the tax base, most of the councils will be doing wonders if they can keep their general rates level.

It is reasonable to think, therefore, that the assessment increases do in fact represent a tax increase. The cheery way to look at it, however, is that a little assessment shock at the beginning of the year takes some of the sting out of a bigger shock at budget time in the spring.



Oaks of Tzouhalem — Photo by Jull Porter, Maple Bay.

Ottawa Offbeat

By RICHARD JACKSON

Some of the Spending Seems Wild and Whacky Despite Edgar Benson's Cries of Pain

FUNNY how things work out — or, so often don't — in an empire as large as the federal government's.

It long aince has become so vast, its communications often seem to be breaking down.

And the pro-consult of one department of empire doesn't always know — maybe doesn't even want to — what the government of another section of it is doing.

In fact, the communications failure has got to the critical point where few of them even seem to be plugged into the East Block where the Supreme Ruler of All the Canadians promulgates his edicts and ultimates.

Like in these inflationary times when Edgar Benson, keeper of the treasury keys, is busy beating off the money demands of the empire's provincial governors with piteous pleas of poverty, and any one of a couple of his fellow federal pro-consults starts throwing the lot in such a way as to arouse suspicions that things aren't really as terribly tight as he claims.

There is Not-So-Gentle Ben, standing guard at the treasury door, crying that there isn't so much as a dime to spare.

And worse, lecturing the half-a-handful provincial governors that if they're really THAT strapped, why don't they finance with his finesse, spending not a nickel on anything that isn't of the most urgent, life-or-death necessity.

Cut spending until you simply can't stand the pain, he lectures them, and then do as I have been doing, and cut some more. So what happens?

Out comes pro-consult Benson's e companion-around-the-cabinet-table, State Secretary Gerard Pelletier, with a shopping list of all the intriguing things on which the National Museum tells him it must spend \$300,000 as necessities of such urgency as can't possibly be denied.

PEOPLE are so nosy. For

several weeks now, what with all the snow and our near-zero temperatures, perfect strangers have been stopping me on the street and asking:

"How come you aren't wearing an overcoat?"

Personally, I feel that the little burberry I'm dashing about in these days is fairly handsome. I also feel that it really isn't anyone's business why I am not wearing an overcoat.

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Now, in the fine fine-handed spending world of federal financing, \$300,000 is little more than a drop in a lake, maybe not as large as Superior.

Except that the provincial governors, crying they don't know where their next nickel is coming from, are certain to be a bit upset when they learn that some of the \$300,000 of "urgently necessary" federal spending is being done for such things as providing plants with folk music.

Yep, you heard it right the first time: some plant life here in the National Capital has got to have an appreciation of music.

Or why else would the museum be signing research contracts with the University of Ottawa for a study to determine the effects of melody on plants? For there, in the labs of

Ottawa U., Dr. Pearl Weinberger, associate professor of biology in those halls of capital learning, busy here and now, is conducting what the museum

describes as "controlled experiments" on what folk, country, vocal and instrumental music does to seeds and growing plants.

Will a few rocking bars of The Beatles speed the germination of seeds?

And will an arpeggio from a Chopin waltz hurry the maturity of the growing plant itself?

Only Dr. Weinberger may get to know, and the National Museum disclose to the walking world of agriculture.

But hold.

There are other museum grants for the deserving researcher.

Gilles Pinard of Ottawa gets one for the compiling of a bibliography on the uniforms of British regiments that served in colonial Canada.

Dr. B. M. Garner of the University of Montana gets one for the investigation of the "magico-religious beliefs of the Stoney Indians of Alberta."

Selwyn Dewdney of London, Ontario, gets one for "a study of aboriginal rock art in Manitoba."

There are a dozen others, every bit as interesting, intriguing and even arresting — to say nothing of their urgency or necessity — that should light up the provincial people with a warm glow of understanding when Ben Benson starts telling them again next month how the federal government is cutting spending to the bare bleached bones.

I Beg to Differ

Only a Pig-Headed Idiot Prefers To Shiver in a Skimpy Burberry

By FRANK LOWE

the long haul from Great Bear Lake to Coppermine.

The rip under the right arm pit was the result of a tumble I took in the dark from the top of a canal while covering the Hun-garian Revolution. The coat's distinctive aroma was the result of a bottle of rum breaking in my pocket during a rough day on the North Atlantic.

As you can see, that overcoat was more than a wrapping for all weather. It was a storehouse of memories.

But during spring cleaning this year my wife took a good look at the coat and decided it days were over. "I'm going to throw it out," she announced in that unsentimental way wives have.

I then knew how Linus felt about his blanket. If I lost that coat I'd lose my sense of identity.

"If you throw out that coat," I riposted, "I'll never buy another. You wouldn't want me to freeze to death, would you?"

My wife just looked at me. I felt a preliminary chill, but left the house confident that she would never dare carry out her threat.

Then came our first winter blast. I looked everywhere. There was no coat. It was gone. I was left denuded.

There was nothing to do, in view of my ringing challenge to her.

The coat was also a personal diary. The large oil stain on the back, for instance, was picked up one day when I decided to have a smoke in the cargo compartment of a Norseman on

the winter in my burberry.

That first evening was a horror. My car got stuck in the snow. And I ask you, have you ever spent two hours digging your car out of a drift in the teeth of a howling, snow-laden gale clad in a thin burberry?

When I got home I resembled nothing so much as a half-shaved Christmas turkey. If I had stretched out on the drainboard of the sink I would have dropped.

"It's all your fault," I told my wife, once my teeth had ceased chattering. "I told you if you threw out my overcoat I'd never buy another."

"You know what, honey?" my wife asked.

"What?" I queried. "You mean you were only kidding? That you've only hidden my coat and you're going to give it back to me?"

"No," my wife said. "I was merely going to say: I think you are a pig-headed idiot."

Since that evening there have been several additional storms, each one more bone chilling than the last.

But I am still wearing my burberry. I mean, my burberry. Yes sir.

The only thing is, I have a hunch that the next time a perfect stranger accosts me on the street and asks me why I'm not wearing an overcoat I'll tell him:

"Because I'm a pig-headed idiot, that's why."

Continuing Impasse

Israeli and Arab No Nearer Peace

By GAVIN YOUNG from Jerusalem

SILVER-HAIRED Arab intellectuals, with the gentle demeanor of professors of poetry, advocate more guerrilla bombs. An Israeli writer at a party redems over a glass of brandy to denounce "Arab barbarity," forgetting the bombs his compatriots set off 20 years ago.

Dangerously and pitifully, like a ship adrift, the Middle East plunges into 1969 in grief and frustration unprecedented since 1948. Wherever they were this Christmas, peace and goodwill were not easy to find in Jerusalem.

Astronauts may rocket upwards. Humans are on the "not" front between East and West Jordan are becoming armed troglodytes. A week or two ago I talked to Palestinian commando and Jordanian officers among hissing pressure lamps and field telephones in bomb-proof caves overlooking Israeli kibbutzim in the Jordan Valley. This week shirt-sleeved Israeli settlers in the Valley showed me massive reinforced bunker dormitories they run to when the commandos rockets start coming in.

In Amman, people wait almost eagerly for Israeli air raids. Here in Jerusalem Israeli housewives hesitate to take their kids to the cinema. Could there be a slab of plastic under the seat?

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One curious factor in the area is that though Israelis claim to "understand the Arabs," Arab reactions to Israeli moves frequently take the Israelis by surprise, and vice versa.

Misunderstanding is monumental. An Israeli woman in the bar of my East Jerusalem hotel announced before the ominously impulsive Arab staff that "the Arabs will soon come to accept us. We are showing them democracy for the first time." She might have descended from another world.

The Arab who argues that the Egyptian and Jordanian armies can win back lost lands in the next few months is clearly equally misled. By now most Arab ears are glued to their radios eager to pick up news of the latest Fedayeen exploit. It is becoming a job to know from the radio exactly what each incident amounts to. The Arabs play them up. The Israelis play them down. One can be certain though, that down in the Valley, the fur is flying.

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Politicians are just as hard to fathom. Things this week do not seem much more hopeful as a result of Mr. Eban's exhortation to King Hussein to show in his attitude to peace talks that sovereignty in Jordan does not reside in Cairo. It looks as if Eban expects Hussein to make a separate deal with him.

Yet King Hussein is quite obviously on a political minefield at home. Even Nasser, anxious above all to recover Sinai, is beset by impatient students and others who pursue a peace in which fewer and fewer Arabs believe. Both leaders are in a box together.

Egypt today is like a man suffering from deep neurosis. There is desire for peace along with a desire to regain lost land, but with little confidence in it. There is also a desire for war to remove the humiliation of Israeli occupation, but no practical means of waging it.

Nasser's position is stronger than Hussein's. His prestige though diminished, is still great. Jordan is small. Every flicker of political tension is as immediately apparent as nerves on the face of a thin man. Egypt is sprawling, seemingly lethargic, like one of those enormous Egyptians who occasionally swim the English Channel. But the neurosis is there nonetheless. In both countries it drastically restricts the options open to the leadership.

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Perhaps something of value has been gained since the June War. The Israelis have learned a little about Arab psychology as the Germans learned something of British psychology after Dunkirk. The Arabs in trauma have also acquired a new realism. They are learning, one sees, to understand their own passions.

This last week of 1968 was a bitter time. The casualties mount, tanks, guns and aircraft batter each other on the front line. Diplomats debate whether Hussein can last or not. Israeli security police search the boats of Arab cars and the handbag of the Israeli bank manager's wife at the entrance to the Jerusalem cinema.

The Middle East needs leaders who combine the acuteness of political experts with the vision of poets. It is easier to say that than to find them.

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"We can't break with the West. What would we do without their air-conditioned autos?"

'Logical' Mideast Solution Fails to End UN Skepticism

By EARL W. FOELL, from United Nations

De Gaulle, the Pope, and the Kremlin now have given a certain ecumenical status to those urging a Big Four-imposed and guaranteed peace in the Middle East.

For varied reasons they are urging publicly now what many European diplomats have been suggesting here for months. But the coinciding influence of the Cross of Lorraine, the Cross of St. Peter, and the crossed hammer and sickle does add considerable weight to the movement.

So does their logic. They argue that big power intervention is the only sensible preventive to a creeping fourth Palestinian war.

But the prevailing view among highest level UN officials who have dealt with the Palestine issue for years is that the weight and logic of the European leaders are not enough to end the current near-war in the Mideast.

Before examining reasons for this pessimism, let us look at the excellent logic of those calling for Big Four action. Some of variations, what the European leaders are saying is that:

- Mideast peace is not going to come, at this time, through the hard work of UN mediator Gunnar Jarring alone.
- Nor is it likely to come through UN Security Council wrist-slapping of Israel or her Arab neighbors. (Even though the wrist-slapping may itself be a product of momentary Big Four anxiety, as it was last Tuesday when the Security Council condemned Israel for its Dec. 23 commando raid on Beirut airport.)
- Nor can the invaluable incident-damaging efforts of UN troops halt escalating guerrilla action and reprisals.

More is needed, say the advocates of Big Four intervention. Moscow and Washington must dramatically pressure Israel and the Arabs into following through on the Security Council resolution of November, 1967.

Under that resolution, which the two super powers worked out with the warring parties, the Arabs were asked to let Israel live in peace and in contested waterways in the future. Israel was asked to give back captured territory and satisfactorily resolve the Palestine-Arab refugee problem. The resolution was artfully vague on specifics. But its general intent was clear.

The advocates of big power intervention now say mediator Jarring has tried manfully to get the warring parties to follow through. But, they argue, he is armed only with his briefcase, infinite patience, and an occasional public pat on the back from Washington and Moscow. Most of the time the super powers have been unwilling to apply much pressure on his behalf except when they felt worried enough to join in the wrist-slapping process.

So much for the logic of the interventionists. Now for an explanation of the reasons for pessimism:

Many of the pessimists agree with the above logic. They feel big power pressure is the only way to force progress toward a settlement at this time. But they argue this correspondent believes convincingly — that one of two factors would be necessary before bringing about Big Four intervention.

One of these factors would be such a hotting-up of warfare that the great powers fear being sucked into a major new Suez-Mediterranean war.

The second factor would be evidence of a genuine desire for settlement on the part of all parties to the current commando-type warfare — a desire strong enough to cause Washington and Moscow to interfere without fear of retribution or backfire.

The pessimists here argue that neither factor is present — or soon likely to be.

They say that the level of war falls short of the type that calls for White House-Kremlin hot line activity. And they feel that as long as the big powers can contain the more dangerous outbreaks (such as that at Beirut) through Security Council warnings, the big powers will content to go on sounding each other out about joint action — perhaps maneuvering closer to it — but not taking the kind of dramatic action sought by de Gaulle.

The pessimists argue also that none of the three major participants in recent warfare (Israel, the neighbor Arab governments and the Palestine Arab guerrillas) wants a peace settlement at this time. Some of them may want PEACE. But none wants a peace SETTLEMENT to get it.

In this analysis, the argument is made that the Arab fedayeen commandos ("terrorists" to Israelis, "freedom

fighters" to Arabs) definitely want no interference which would slow down their guerrilla campaign. Nor does the Israeli government — any faction of it — want an imposed solution. For Israeli leaders that might mean the loss of all captured territory. And it would mean future dependence on the guarantees of a potentially fickle Big Four grouping.

The third participant in the current warfare, the Arab governments, might be the most pleased at an imposed settlement, if it weren't for a desire not to be outflanked by the popularity of the fedayeen movement. Cairo in particular also reportedly has a lingering feeling that Arab fortunes and bargaining power might be higher if a settlement were to come later on rather than now.

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The pessimists among officials here cite a number of other factors working against the admittedly hopeful signs of greater interest in Moscow and other European capitals.

One is the mechanics of the Johnson-Nixon interregnum. It is very late for an 11th-hour Johnson initiative. And the Nixon administration will be quite busy with settling in, seeking its balance with Congress, and giving foreign policy priority to ending the huge costs of Vietnam.

As this process goes on, Israel gets deeper into its own election year, in which all parties are expected to be very wary of appearing to be "soft" on any settlement effort which involves future guarantees backed in part by Moscow.

Last week's UN Security Council maneuvering contained some less-noticed but important exchanges between Israeli ambassador Josef Tekoah and Soviet ambassador Yakov Mark.

The gist of the Israeli point was summed up in this Tekoah phrase: "By its unreserved support of Arab intransigence and belligerency . . . it (the Soviet Union) must be regarded as having discredited itself as an acceptable partner in the search for understanding in the Middle East."

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Clearly, Tekoah and his government — from Eshkol to Dayan — found it necessary in the midst of an urgent defense against UN Security Council censure to turn to an even more urgent task that was not on the docket at the time: Moscow's growing campaign for Big Four (or Big Two) intervention.

Israeli diplomats here had been keeping an eye on this campaign since it first was hinted at in late November and early December.

First signs were the friendly private talks which Soviet deputy foreign minister V. S. Semenov had here with many Western delegates and the hints he threw Israel that Moscow was interested in a serious settlement effort.

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The next sign was a widely noted "dovish" editorial on the Mideast in Pravda immediately after Semenov returned to Moscow. Then there was the sudden visit of Soviet foreign minister Andrei Gromyko to Cairo, accompanied by inspired speculation that he was seeking to dampen the chances for new outbreaks of fighting on the Suez sector.

And finally there was the Soviet attitude during Security Council debate on the Beirut airport attack. Malik pointedly praised Washington for condemning Israel in words; then chided the United States for not going further in joining big power efforts.

He answered some sharp Israeli barbs from Tekoah with something less than the kind of loud damnation that might have been expected. And then let it be known privately that Moscow joined Washington in wanting to get the matter over with quickly in the Security Council, instead of letting it drag out for pro-Arab propagandizing.

At the same time it became known that the Kremlin had made a new approach to the White House for bargaining on terms for a joint settlement effort. And the Soviet ambassador in London called on British foreign minister Michael Stewart Wednesday to try to get the United Kingdom to join the party. (This would mean three of the Big Four signed up for intervention — a considerable pressure on the incoming Nixon administration to join.

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A big Four meeting to try to find common ground for intervention may yet occur. Its prestigious backers in Europe may generate public and parliamentary support. More serious outbreaks in the Middle East could add urgency to the idea but a Middle East party of big powers, like a Geneva conference on Vietnam, is only a meeting, not a road to solution, unless its participants find mutually profitable reasons to move decisively.

At the moment, they may be urged on by mutual anxiety. They do not yet appear to have more positive reasons to join. And the main forces in the Middle East appear able to stave off intervention until such reasons arise.

Unusual 'Classes' Most Vivid Memories

Extras Beat Education!

Brooding at the snowy wastes last week my mind flicked back more than 20 years to a snowbound school in Nanaimo, to a memory of how easily real education can happen.

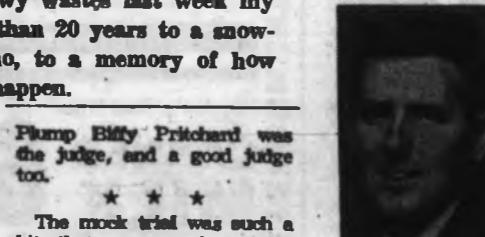
It had been one of those massive wet snowfalls which Nanaimo gets almost every winter. The school buses had given up and only a handful of us struggled through to Brechin Elementary School, half-expecting to be turned free immediately.

But our teacher-principal, Archie Mercer, had an idea for our class of grade sixers. We held a mock courtroom trial that involved most of us kids, and which taught me more in a day than a month of humdrum classes.

The secret, of course, was that we were participants, we were interested, it seemed relevant.

Whereas I made almost a conscious effort at times to forget some of the junk listed on me in the name of education, the details of that mock trial remain vivid today.

George Cottle was accused of a hit-and-run offence against a pedestrian. I was his counsel, and got him acquitted the first time. Ken White and Dick Newson took turns as prosecutors. Johnny Gethel was the policeman.



A LOOK AT LEARNING

By BILL STAVIDAL

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Most of the rest was stupefying boredom.

Today, making education meaningful to children is more than desirable; it's necessary.

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The B.C. School Trustee magazine put it this way in its current edition:

"It would be a mistake on our part to continue to ignore the growing discontent with our product by our consumers — the students themselves.

Granted that much of this discontent can be attributed to youthful exuberance, unchannelled energy, or simply rebellion against authority of any description.

"But let's make sure that we don't miss any legitimate points these 'rebels' might have. It would be interesting to know how many of the 'drop-outs' are, in reality, 'push-outs'; students of better-than-

average intelligence and high potential who simply couldn't be bothered with the irrelevance of much of today's curriculum.

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The youth of today is, more than anything else, involved.

They are involved with principles and situations that would never have occurred to high school students of past generations . . ."

Our high school drop-outs have been a badly-maligned bunch for many years. There has been an assumption that they quit because they are too dull to take advantage of what the school offers them. It's also assumed that the offering is rich and adequate.

As long as teenagers continue to choose unemployment in preference to school, these assumptions must be questioned.

These are the bright spots that stand clearly in memory.

BACKGROUND

By NORMAN FRASER
From Bonn

Poised and ready to pounce, West Germany's controversial "strongman," Franz Josef Strauss sees almost within his grasp the chance of becoming Chancellor in 1969.

The best-informed sources in Bonn say that Strauss and his closest supporters in the Bavarian Christian Social Union Party believe his big opportunity may come soon.

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Strauss realizes that if he is to burst through to the chancellorship, the ruling coalition government must first fall.

Chancellor Kurt-Georg Kiesinger, a hitherto unimportant local politician, has voluntarily taken himself out of the running by standing for the office of president.

The Socialists, too, are vulnerable, having submerged their own identity to make the

coalition work. By doing so, they helped West Germany avoid a serious economic crisis and place it at the head of Europe's financial structure.

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In the process, however, they have boosted the reputation of Strauss, who succeeded in jumping on the bandwagon by becoming finance minister, an albeit inferior post to the economics minister, the Socialist Professor Karl Schiller.

Somehow Strauss has managed to become associated in the German public's mind with the new strength of the deutsche mark.

In their gratitude, the voters might well turn toward Strauss for the next chancellorship, despite his unfortunate behavior while in office as a minister in the past.

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Cape Town Opposes Beaches Segregation

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (CNS) — In Cape Town they are calling it the beach game.

It is not a holiday pastime on the fine white sands that are said to equal many of the Mediterranean beaches. It is a grim political struggle over which of South Africa's varied races can swim where.

The government, intent on applying its apartheid policy even in its minutest aspects, does not want "multi-colored" beaches. The whites, the colored (mulattoes), the Africans and even the handful of Chinese must each swim in their own specially selected area.

But a stubborn opponent has been the Cape Town city council. It has refused to put up notices along the scenic, resort-studded Cape Peninsula coast demarcating where the various races, according to government decree, should swim.

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This stubbornness (plus the surprising discovery that the government could not legally force the council to do its bidding) has resulted in the beach apartheid game returning to square one.

The contest began three years ago when the government decree was published. Cape Town greeted the proclamation with the charge that the best (and whitest) beaches had been set aside for the whites. The numerically superior coloreds were given a meager share.

Lesser beaches were demarcated for

Indians and Africans. The Chinese, who share many of the privileges enjoyed by the whites, were given their own territory — although there are only a few thousand Chinese in the whole of South Africa and a few hundred in the Cape Peninsula.

When Cape Town refused to put up notices indicating the various beach territories, the law was clearly unenforceable. Cape Town would not budge, even when threatened that parliament would pass a new law to compel the council to act.

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While the politicians argued the bathers took dips wherever they liked. In the latest move the government has handed the matter back to the Nationalist-controlled Cape Provincial administration, from whom it took over in the first place.

This administration will now decide what beach allocations are necessary and in due course will put up its own notices.

Along other sections of the Cape coast, including one of the country's premier tourist attractions known as the Garden Route, notices have been up for a year or two.

Natal, which also boasts of its magnificent beaches, probably will be forced to follow suit one day.

Afrikaner thinking is clear on the subject. An Afrikaans body equivalent to a chamber of commerce complained recently that Indian ice cream and candy vendors on Natal's beaches "peeped" at bikini-clad white women sunbathers.

The Stamp Packet

By FAITH ANGUS

As a result of changes made in the Channel Islands' postal system last year, Guernsey will become an independent stamp-issuing territory in 1969.

R. Granger-Barrett has incorporated various English monarchs connected with the history of the Channel Islands, local scenes and crests of the islands in the designs of 16 definitive stamps; a good start for a new collection proceeded by the regionals.

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The 1/4d. shows Castle Cornet and Edward the Confessor; 1d. map of Guernsey and William the Conqueror; 1/2d. Martello tower, Henry III; 2d. Sark crest; King John; 3d. Alderney crest; Edward III; 4d. Guernsey lily; Henry V; 5d. Guernsey crest; Elizabeth I; 6d. Alderney crest; Charles II; 9d. Sark crest; George III; 1s. Guernsey crest; Queen Victoria; 1/6d. same as 1d.; 1/9d. Guernsey lily; Elizabeth I; 2/6d. Martello tower; King John; 5s. Sark harbor; 10s. Alderney harbor; 1s. Guernsey harbor; St. Peter port. Each value bears a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II. Postage dues are 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d. and 1s. showing view of Castle Cornet, Guernsey St. Peter port. Photogravure printing is by Harrison and Sons.

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Stamps have also been announced for Christmas 1969 and a bicentenary for Sir Isaac Brock. The latter will be a portrait design from a painting in the Royal Court House, Guernsey.

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Rhodesian stamps are popular with collectors even though they are considered invalid in Britain. Issues of Independent Rhodesia are also in demand but collectors are being warned that they, too, may not be recognized in future.

The ridiculously small government formed by the island's leading businessman and his six or seven associates did not receive formal recognition by Great Britain; a fact that might well reflect on the validity of its postal activities.

On Nov. 8, India released a 20p. Marie Curie commemorative stamp showing a portrait of Dr. Curie and a reclining figure receiving radium treatment.

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By JIM BRAHAN

Greater Victoria's recent giant freeze was a plumber's nightmare, says plumbing contractor Dave Cooper.

"I check in with my answering service at least every two hours, and at one check I had 36 emergency calls waiting for me. One man went to Dawson Creek for the festive season, only to return and find the house frozen up. The toilet was two inches off the bathroom floor and the washbasin was on the floor," Mr. Cooper said.

"And it's not over yet. I still have about a week's work ahead of me just to cope with problems caused during the cold snap," he said.

UNPREPARED

According to a telephone survey, most of the area's plumbers are up to their ears in work, mopping up after the unprecedented freeze.

"Most of the trouble," Mr. Cooper explained, "was that Victorians were not prepared for anything so severe as the storm which struck Vancouver Island."

"A lot of the plumbing problems were caused by neglect," he said.

He cited in many instances the cause of frozen water pipes as: garage doors being left open, doors, leading into crawl spaces being open, or loose-fitting windows.

"Some of the houses were frozen up because the people went out of town for the holidays and shut the heat off."

"One man went to Dawson Creek for the festive season, only to return and find the house frozen up. The toilet was two inches off the bathroom floor and the washbasin was on the floor," Mr. Cooper said.

"It was 40 degrees below zero in Dawson Creek when the man was up there."

"They are prepared for the cold, and that is the difference," he said.

PRECAUTION BEST

Mr. Cooper said the secret was to stop the pipes from freezing.

"After they freeze, the damage is done, even though you get them thawed out," he said.

He explained that often the sealed joints were broken loose when pipes froze, and of course there was always the danger of a pipe splitting.

Homeowners could wrap the water pipes with glass fibre insulation and this would give protection, he suggested.

"In many new homes, the water pipes run along the ceilings of unheated garages."

"The insulation is placed between the pipes and the ceiling, which gives no protection."

Jail Cells To Have Carpets

LONDON (AP) — Britain's newest prison, nicknamed the Ritz, will have cells with fitted carpets, bedside lamps, curtains and bed covers in colors of a prisoner's choice.

The ministry of public housing and works has unveiled a model cell for the new prison at Full Sutton in Yorkshire, due to be operational by 1973.

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At 70 square feet, each of the 465 cells is about 10 square feet larger than other cells recently built and features modern furniture — wardrobe, writing table and chair.

"It would be happy to see prisoners choose their own color schemes," said architect Michael Bagott.

Bagott has taken the bars off the windows. Prisoners will get a better view through shatter-proof glass with hardened steel crosspieces.

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Design of the new cell and its furniture was carried out after consultations with hundreds of prisoners.

"This is all part of the new idea that a cell should be much more than just a place to sleep in," a ministry spokesman said.

"The wardrobe and cupboards will have keys which the prisoner will retain to give him a degree of privacy over his personal possessions."

Soviet Vessel Beyond Hope

CUXHAVEN, Germany (UPI) — Maritime police said the Soviet freighter Njandoma, which ran aground on the Scharhorn reef in the Elbe River mouth last month would have to be abandoned. The ship broke in two but there was no one aboard.

GROWTH SLOWER

NEW YORK (AP) — The economy of the United States should continue growing in 1969, "but at a more orderly pace than in 1968," says the National Industrial Conference Board.

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tion to the pipes at all, he said.

"Back east, insulating pipes is big business. Professionals can wrap a pipe with half an inch of glass fibre and it's good for so below zero," he said.

"One thing people should not do is to thaw a pipe with a torch. They forgot that although the insulation in a wall is fireproof, the fibre is backed with paper to act as a vapor barrier, and that is highly flammable," he said.

"If the tar backing catches fire, it will blaze right up the wall into the attic in many cases," he added.

BIGGEST PROBLEM

Although plumbers were in great demand to help people out of difficulty, they suffered the same frustrations as other residents when it came to getting transportation.

"The biggest problem we had was to keep our trucks going," Mr. Cooper said.

And this sounded strange coming from one of Victoria's best known professional racing and rally drivers.

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Commodores Deride Phaseout of Forces

By DON GAIN

Two former navy commodores Saturday zeroed in on hints by Prime Minister Trudeau that the armed forces may "go out of business" next year.

"The whole thing is incredible," said Commodore Harold Groos.

"The worst thing in the world is to leave the armed forces in this state of uncertainty. Unless you've got good morale you've got nothing."

Commodore A. G. Boulton said, "Anybody can tear anything down but it takes a tremendous time to build it up."

"If we were sure there were no more militant forces in the world, maybe then we could tear down our militant defence forces."

JUST NOT SO

But this just isn't so, he added.

"So why should Canada, one of the richest countries in the world, throw down our capability to defend ourselves so that we couldn't even help our friends to defend us?"

Commodore Groos said he "really felt" for the Canadian Armed Forces officers on the NATO force. At Supreme Allied Command Atlantic in Norfolk, Va., and at SHAPE headquarters in Belgium.

EVERY DAY

These men have to work with our allies every day while such statements as Mr. Trudeau's are bandied about.

"They are certainly in an invidious position. The big thing is that continuity of support from a government is absolutely necessary. It can't blow hot and cold."

It would be "astonishing" if Canada's forces were disbanded, the commodore said.

WONDERFUL JOB

"We'd be riding on the coattails of the United States. They've done a wonderful job and the British are carrying more than their fair load. But we would be held up to ridicule and contempt."

Last week in Armed Forces Review, a magazine of military and government procurement, retired Vice-Admiral Herbert Rayner was interviewed on the future of the armed forces.

PHILOSOPHY SPREADS

He said there seems to be a dangerous philosophy spreading across the land among young and old that we can remain a proud and independent nation without adequate defense forces and that we can safely leave the burden of our defense to the U.S.

We rank 12th among 15 NATO countries, he said, equal with Denmark "in the proportion of national wealth spent on defense, together with the proportion of available manpower that is either trained for or serving in the country's armed forces."

TWO BELOW

Only Luxembourg, with an army of about 550 men, and Iceland, with no armed services, rank below Canada.

Ten years ago, according to Admiral Rayner, we were spending 6 per cent of our gross national product on defense and ranked fourth in this regard among NATO nations.

By 1963 we had slipped to ninth place and now we rank 12th, with defense spending amounting to 2.7 per cent of the gross national product.

SOME IDEA

"When you consider how much less the same dollars will buy today, then you can get some idea of just how serious the situation is."

"People may chide me because I opted for the three service branches but the fact is that we now have a unified force and we have one of the best-trained military forces in the world today."

NO REASON

"But this is surely no reason to relax our efforts to the point where we are not a useful ally nor in a position to make more than token effort at defending our own country."

"As a naval man, I am concerned about the state of our sea force."

"Five years ago we had about 10,000 men serving in 64 ships. Today we have possibly 5,500 men, serving in 24 ships. We have one aircraft carrier, one operational support ship and about 20 anti-submarine vessels available for NATO duty and not all of the vessels are fully manned."

VOICE OF AUTHORITY

"We have learned from experience that any country which wishes to speak with authority in allied councils must be able to provide well-equipped professional forces capable of full cooperation with the allied team."

Commodore Boulton said Saturday he "couldn't agree more heartily" with Admiral Rayner.

"If we disband all our armed forces," he said, "our chances of sitting down at international conferences would be lessened because we would no longer be a power."

"We couldn't even be a peacekeeping force. The days of having months to spare to train

Johnsons Battled Hard Times

COURTENAY — Ever since March 1967, when a failing heart forced Gerry Johnson of Royston to give up his job as a boom crew foreman at Zellerbach's Comox Lakes operation, he and his family have lived a rather difficult life.

The company continued Mr. Johnson's salary until April 1968, but by that time he had been confined to his bed for some time.

Mr. Johnson drew sick benefits for six months after his salary stopped, then became eligible for long-term disability payments for life.

But this only gave Mr.

Johnson, his wife, and their two children the equivalent of 50 per cent of the income they had when Mr. Johnson was receiving full salary.

Mrs. Johnson, contacted by telephone Saturday in Houston, where she is staying to be with her husband while he undergoes tests to determine whether or not a heart transplant operation will be performed, didn't complain.

"We did all right," she said. "It was more nerve-wracking than anything, knowing my husband was so ill."

Mrs. Johnson said she took a

part-time job to help make ends meet, working few nights a week in a grocery store, but "I couldn't work too much and still care for Gerry and the children properly."

Mr. Johnson's sister, Mrs. Lilian Cumming of Saanich

said that to try and drive their fixed living costs down, the Johnsons refinanced their house.

"But this summer," she said, "he had to sell it. And he had to sell his truck, his boat and many other things, too."

She said Mrs. Johnson would probably move from the motel where she is staying in Houston to something less expensive.

"She's been given the telephone number of a club called Mended Hearts — an organization that helps heart surgery patients and their families,"

She said Mr. Johnson wanted

to sell a lot he owned in the Courtenay area soon after he became ill, but was persuaded to hold on to it a while longer.

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He said the club was made up of people who had successfully undergone heart surgery of one kind or another, including transplants.

In a telephone interview Saturday with the Colonist, Max Farrar, founder of the Houston branch of the club, explained the organization was purely a service club, and did not offer financial help.

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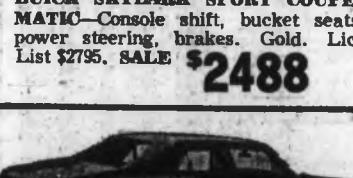
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Allen, Reeves Meet To Discuss Rehiring

LOS ANGELES (LAT) — George Allen met Saturday afternoon with Ram owner Dan Reeves to discuss terms relative to the rehiring of the coach, but no decision was reached.

Reeves, refusing to reveal the nature of his talks with Allen, said it will be "several days before any decision is announced."

Allen had previously conferred with Reeves on New Year's Day and the coach was expected to arrive at a decision Monday in regards to his future plans.

The surprise Saturday session was ordered by Reeves after Allen's wife, Ettie, had told the Los Angeles Times Friday that her husband wanted more security as a condition to his returning to the club. She also said that her husband was weighing other coaching offers — from Buffalo and an unselected NFL club.

Reeves, it was learned, wanted to clear the air immediately. Reeves and Allen had agreed to say nothing but "no comment" until the matter was resolved.

Allen was fired by Reeves Dec. 26 and

since that time there has been a public clamor for his reinstatement.

It was previously believed that Allen would want his present contract extended, hedging against a similar action by Reeves in the future. He had two years remaining on a five-year pact estimated at \$40,000 annually when he was fired.

Allen has changed his mind. He would be willing to return to the Rams under the terms of his present contract but wants a damage clause inserted which would protect him in case he was fired again.

In such an arrangement, M agreed to by Reeves, Allen would receive a sizeable indemnity if the Rams dismiss him for a second time.

Friends of Allen say that he wants to coach the Rams but only if this condition is met. Present at Saturday's meeting, in addition to Allen and Reeves, were Bob Reynolds, president of the California Angels and a minority Rams stockholder, and Dr. James Rasiński, the team physician.



Sore jaw and all

Bowling Roundup

Top Qualifiers Lose Out

Little at Stake But Pride, Cash

MIAMI (AP) — The disappointed Dallas Cowboys and the surprising Minnesota Vikings battle for the National Football League's consolation prize today before an expected crowd of 50,000 fans.

It's the NFL playoff chanc-

Television coverage of today's NFL Playoff Bowl game between Dallas Cowboys and Minnesota Vikings starts at 10 a.m. on channels 7 and 12.

ampionship, a game between the second-place teams of the Eastern and Western Conferences. Most the receipts from the game go into the players' pension fund.

There isn't too much at stake except the pride of a good performance for some of pro football's finest. Each member of the winning team earns \$1,200 and each loser \$500. An estimated \$175,000 is put into the pension fund.

TOP OFFENSE: The game shapes up as a test of Dallas' great offence against Minnesota's solid defence. Cowboys, directed by quarterback Don Meredith, were the top offensive team in the league.

Meredith completed 171 of 303 passes for 2,500 yards and 21 touchdowns for the Cowboys' unsuccessful bid to gain the NFL title.

Dallas coach Tom Landry says he's eager to see how Meredith rebounds from one of the quarterback's biggest football disappointments — the 31-20

loss to Cleveland in the eastern championship game.

Bud Grant's Vikings appear to be in better psychological frame of mind. Vikings weren't supposed to be here according to pre-season predictions. They were selected to finish among the also-rans in the Central Division.

Minnesota, however, posted an 8-6 record, won its division title and moved forward as one of the coming teams in the NFL.

Vikings lost a hard fought 24-14 game to Baltimore for the Western Conference title. This is Minnesota's first post-season competition.

Southern Cal Ranked No. 4

WACO, Tex. (AP) — Underfated Ohio State was the unanimous selection Saturday of the Football Writers Association of America as the No. 1 college football team in the U.S. for 1968.

Buckeyes, conquerors of Southern California in the Rose Bowl, will receive the association's Grandstand Rice Trophy which annually is presented to the national champion.

Unbeaten Penn State, a last-gasp winner over Kansas in the Orange Bowl, finished a strong second in the voting followed by Cotton Bowl champion Texas and Southern Cal.

North Scores Win In Bowl Inaugural

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Left-handed Bobby Douglass threw a 21-0 lead early in the fourth quarter. The southern club, held back for three quarters by five interceptions and three lost fumbles, struck late for touchdowns on a 24-yard pass from Ed Hargett to Dick Lyons and a 13-yard run by Eugene "Merry" Morris.

... And in Hula Bowl

HONOLULU (AP) — The North team's touchdowns on short plunges, one following a fumble and the other after a pass interception.

Simpson's sizzling kickoff return was practically the only offensive gesture by the South.

Entertainment carried 24 times for 86 yards.

Simpson packed the ball 21 times for 92 yards and his kick-off return following the North's second touchdown set a Hula Bowl record. The old mark was 78 yards by Billy Cannon of Louisiana State in 1960.

Neither team was able to navigate on a field turned to a quagmire by two days of a tropical downpour.

Entertainment scored both of the

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Forces Tournament Starts on Monday

The three-day Canadian forces Zone 1 hockey tournament starts Monday at Esquimalt Sports Centre with teams from Chilliwack, Comox and Esquimalt competing.

Chilliwack is the defending zone and Canadian champion.

Winner of the tournament will advance to the Canadian forces national tournament at CFB Petawawa March 26 to 30 to compete for the national title with the seven other zone champions.

Esquimalt and Comox meet in the opener at 9 a.m. Monday, followed by a game between Esquimalt and Chilliwack at

11:45 and, at 2:45 p.m., Chilliwack takes on Comox.

Tuesday, Esquimalt plays Chilliwack at 8 a.m., Comox meets Chilliwack starting at 10:45 and Esquimalt battles Comox at 2:45 p.m.

Top two teams from the two days of competition will advance to the final on Wednesday at 8:15 p.m. for the zone championship.

Tickets, which will be good for the entire tournament, are obtainable at Victoria Sporting Goods, Esquimalt Sports Centre and at CFB Esquimalt gymnasium at a cost of \$1 with a 50 cent reduction for students and old-age pensioners.

Heat of Sports May Cool Youth

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A summer sports program to combat youth problems with the heat of competition was announced Saturday by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

In conjunction with the U.S. government, the NCAA plans a nationwide endeavor to make university and college gymnasiums, athletic fields and swimming pools available to youngsters, especially those from poverty areas.

NCAA president Marcus Plant of Michigan explained the program at a news conference preceding Monday's official opening of the group's annual meeting.

Teri Fuller combined with her mother, June, to win the bantam girls' division for a YBC bowler and mother competition while Gayle Milliken teamed up with her father, Ernie, to win the bantam girls' title for the YBC bowler and father competition.

Mark Roberts and his father, Jerry, and Spicer Bendall, with his mother, June, took the bantam boys' competition.

Karen Roberts and her mother, Lili, and Debbie and Lloyd Dixon won in the junior girls' division.

Darrel Dean and father, Don, and Greg Fuller with his mother captured the junior boys' honors.

Lee and Cam York teamed up to win the senior division.

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Sirhan Lawyer Admits Lie

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — A admitted to a federal grand lawyer's scheduled to defend jury Friday that he lied in court Sirhan Sirhan on a charge of another case. Sirhan goes into court Tuesday.

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Attorney Grant Cooper, a member of Sirhan's three-man defence team, spent three hours before a grand jury inquiring into certain aspects of the recent Friars Club card cheating trial.

Cooper defended Maurice Friedman, a Las Vegas, Nev., hotel and casino developer. Friedman and four other defendants were found guilty of cheating wealthy businessmen when a transcript of testimony

and show people of an estimated \$400,000 in crooked card games at the plush Stage Club in Beverly Hills.

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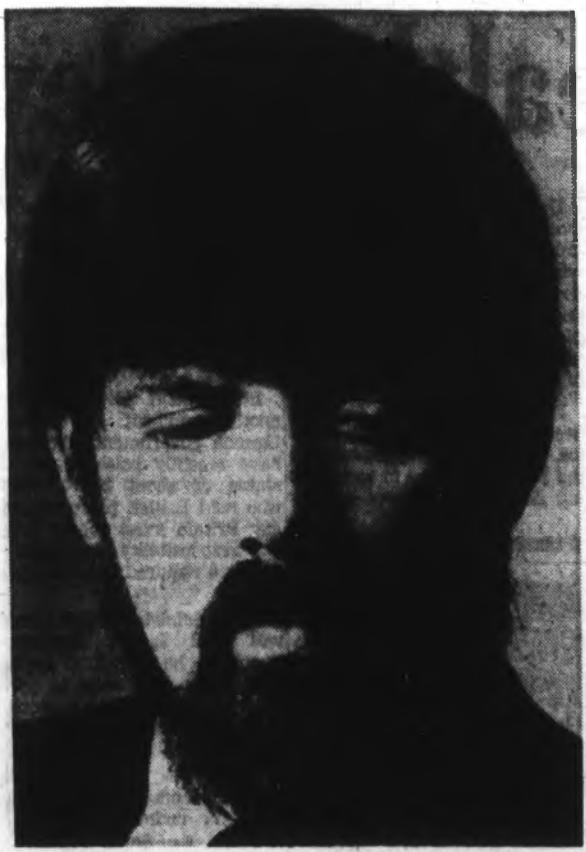
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Guitarist Ghiglia—recitals, concerts

Victorians Will Hear Renowned Guitarist

Of all musical instruments sold the guitar outnumbers the combined total of all others. The sounds produced range from the plodding thump of hard rock to some of the sweetest music in the repertoire.

Wednesday local fans will have an opportunity of hearing one of the most distinguished guitarists in the world when Italian-born Oscar Ghiglia offers a recital in the McPherson Playhouse.

Mr. Ghiglia was a pupil of the legendary Andres Segovia and later became his assistant in giving master classes in the classic guitar style.

After graduating from the Santa Cecilia Conservatory in Rome he studied with Segovia and also with Alirio Diaz in Venezuela. In 1962 he made his professional debut, winning two international competitions first in Paris and then in Spain.

Since that time he has been in steady demand as a concert artist, soloist and teacher. During his current tour he will play and teach across the United States and will appear twice with the Victoria Symphony in addition to his Wednesday recital.

The recital program will include works by Bach, Scarlatti, Villa Lobo and Albeniz.

The pair of symphony concerts Sunday and Monday will feature Mr. Ghiglia in concertos for guitar by Vivaldi and Rodrigo. To complete the program the orchestra will play Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 11 and Richard Strauss' Till Eulenspiegel. The performance Monday is sponsored by The Daily Colonist.

The Vivaldi will be performed in its original form with an accompaniment from string trio. Symphony conductor Lazlo Gati will make one of his rare appearances as a performer when he plays viola to make up the trio with violinist Eldreda Gleam and cellist James Hunter.

Mr. Gati auditioned for the Montreal Symphony when he first came to Canada from Hungary. The auditions were held in such a way that the adjudicators could not see the applicants. Mr. Gati played both the viola and the violin on that occasion. The panel were impressed and when he left he found he had both jobs. The experts thought he was two talented musicians.

During his visit to Vancouver Island the talented Mr. Ghiglia will also offer recitals at Duncan and Campbell River.

Two New Ensembles Born

Future Brighter for Bands

Over the past few years I have complained that there was nothing for school bandsmen to do when they left school.

The symphony has not absorbed more than a couple, the university concert band has a number but for the vast majority there was nothing.

The best they could do was to hide their instruments in a closet or buy a line or two in the For Sale columns.

Now things look a lot brighter. There are plans to form two bands for musicians who like that kind of music.

The prime mover behind the project is Vic High music teacher Acel Waldhaus. He is a number but for the vast majority there was nothing.

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The serious band will be

called the Victoria Wind Sinfonietta, and will comprise 30 to 40 members.

The idea is to have the band in regular rehearsal with definite concert dates. It is expected the band will perform publicly at the McPherson Playhouse.

Players will be admitted to this ensemble on the recommendation of their teachers by audition.

Mr. Waldhaus emphasized that the repertoire will be progressive and will comprise only music written especially for band. He said, "We hope to offer music from medieval times right up to the current electronic music."

The sinfonietta is open to anyone who is qualified musically. We have discussed the matter of playing in this group with the musician's union and they say it is quite in order for their members to join our band.

The second group is really for fun and recreation rather than serious musicians. We call it the Community Symphonic Band. It will offer the standard band repertoire.

"The sinfonietta will meet on Mondays at Vic High starting Jan. 13. The community band will probably meet on Tuesdays."

Mr. Waldhaus is a graduate in music from the University of British Columbia and is teaching in the Greater Victoria School system. Details on the two bands can be obtained by calling 592-1211.

The project deserves a good response because it could lead to some exciting and interesting music. It could also provide additional training and experience for the vast number of brass and wind players who have been produced by the school system.

Ross arrived in Great Britain after a six-week tour with Les Feux-Follets.

He writes "We had a four-day engagement in Nice, and spent most of our time lying in 90-degree sun on the beach."

They also played in Switzerland, Belgium, Luxembourg and throughout France.

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Rhodesia Chief Topic at Commonwealth Parley

By REUTERS

British Prime Minister Wilson will preside over the largest-ever Commonwealth summit conference beginning Tuesday in London.

The conference, the first since September, 1966, will represent some 800,000,000 people in 28 countries spread over about 10,000,000 square miles. It will end Jan. 15.

The presidents and prime ministers from Africa, Asia, the Pacific, the Mediterranean and North and South America will review current international political, economic, trading and monetary developments with special emphasis on East-West relations and the world's trouble spots.

FIVE NEWCOMERS

Wilson, as host, will welcome five new Commonwealth countries to the conference. These are Barbados, Botswana, Lesotho, Mauritius and Swaziland—all of which achieved their independence from Britain since the last conference.

Four heads of government—President Mohammad Ayub Khan of Pakistan, President Jomo Kenyatta of Kenya, Maj.-Gen. Yakubu Gowon of Nigeria, and Gen. J. A. Ankrah, head of the National Liberation Council of Ghana—are not coming because of home commitments. But they are sending top ministerial delegations.

RHODESIA KEY TOPIC

The Rhodesia independence deadlock will be a key topic and is expected to generate the most heat at the conference.

Wilson will report to his colleagues on the hitherto abortive British efforts to get a negotiated settlement with Ian Smith's white-minority regime which seized independence in November, 1965, rather than submit to demands for eventual black-majority rule.

But two other controversial issues, the Nigerian-Biafran civil war and Commonwealth immigration are not so far down on the formal agenda.

NO VOTING

The conference—the highest body for ministerial consultations among the loosely-knit Commonwealth—takes no decisions by vote and no sovereign member country is necessarily bound by its decisions.

The countries at the conference are Australia, Barbados, Botswana, Britain, Canada, Ceylon, Cyprus, Gambia, Ghana, Guyana, India, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritius, New Zealand, Nigeria, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Singapore, ND, Tanzania, Trinidad and Swaziland, Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, and Zambia.

Canada's Prime Minister Trudeau has said that he is mostly going to listen at the conference—his first Commonwealth summit.

MIGHT BE LINK

He suggested that Canada might be a link between the Commonwealth and French-speaking countries, especially in Africa, but no specific initiative is planned in this respect.

The Canadian delegation is not expected to produce new ideas on the Rhodesian question but would like to see the controversy "played down," as it feels the arguments have been exhausted.

Kenya's delegation will include its commerce and industry minister, Mwai Kibaki, who announced on New Year's Eve that 3,000 Asian retailers and wholesalers in some 20 specified products—with anything up to 15,000 dependents—will be given notices to leave the predominantly Negro African country in the next few months.

EXODUS EXAGGERATED

Kenya officials say there have been exaggerated reports in the British press that the "Kenyanization" policy legislation will possibly lead to another mass exodus of British passport-holding Asians to Britain.

Advance warning was given as long as a year ago, giving Asian shopkeepers a chance to branch out into other lines or to plan their future in other ways, they say.

FIVE MINISTERS

Observers have noted that the Kenya government appears to be exercising discretion in the application of the new laws.

However, Kenya may be called on to present her case at

the conference, and Britain, India and Pakistan, have an interest in the issue.

Kenya's delegation will be led by Finance Minister James Gichuru and includes five other ministers.

The Kenyan team is expected to give strong backing to its African Negro colleagues over Rhodesia.

Tanzania's nine-man delega-

tion will be headed by President Julius Nyerere, who is deter-

mined to make a major issue of Rhodesia.

He will be satisfied with nothing less than a new British pledge of Nibmar—no independence before majority rule.

Nyerere will be visiting London for the first time in four years, for 30 months of which he suspended relations with Britain over its handling of Rhodesia.

Links were restored six

months ago.

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The Tanzanian president also will have strong words if the Nigerian conflict is openly discussed, pleading the cause of the secessionist Biafrans and possibly demanding a new Commonwealth initiative to bring the bloodshed to an end.

He and Zambia's President Kenneth Kaunda are the only Commonwealth leaders to recognize Biafra. He was the first to do so.

Nigeria attends the conference preoccupied with its own tragic civil war.

It 16-man team of commissioners, ministers, military leaders, ambassadors and officials is led by Chief Obafemi Awolowo, vice-chairman of the federal executive council and commissioner for finance.

Nigeria, Africa's most populous country, will call for an expansion of world trade on an equitable basis, and more flexible

financial assistance to the developing countries, a spokesman said.

While the Nigerian civil war is not on the formal agenda, references might be made in the annual report of the Commonwealth secretariat which organized one of the previous

abortive peace talks with Biafra, informed sources in Lagos said. The secretariat is headed by Canada's Arnold Smith.

Uganda's President Milton Obote will lead his country's delegation to the Commonwealth conference, if he gets his doctors' clearance to make the trip. He recently suffered a respiratory ailment which forced him to cancel engagements here for several days.

In Uganda's view, Rhodesia heads the list of conference topics. Obote was instrumental at the 1966 conference in marshaling African acceptance of Wil-

son's appeal for support of his policy of economic sanctions against the Smith regime.

But Uganda now takes the view that sanctions have failed to bring results and that more drastic means are needed.

BRITISH CONCERN

Immigration into Britain is another subject of concern. Uganda government leaders have recently raised again the status of about 30,000 Asians who hold British passports, and say Britain must accept eventual responsibility for them if they are required to leave Uganda.

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi will lead India's delegation. This will be her first appearance at the conference as prime minister, although she represented the late Lal Bahadur Shastri in 1965 when she was information minister.

India wants Britain to bring Rhodesia under majority rule and end the Smith regime by force if necessary.

FAIR DEAL

She wants a fair deal for colored immigrants in Britain and is concerned about people of Indian origin with British passports who may leave East Africa. They are considered a British responsibility, although India has agreed they can come temporarily to India.

On the international scene, India wants conditions to be created for the Vietnamese people to run their own affairs without outside intervention.

While favoring the Arabs in the Middle East dispute, India wants a political solution satisfactory to all and particularly wants the Suez Canal reopened as her trade is seriously affected.

DIGNIFIED WAY

Pakistan's delegation will be led by Foreign Minister Mian Arshad Hussain and hopes to be "helpful in a quiet, dignified way," officials said.

Pakistan's stand on Rhodesia is that the majority should have a deciding voice and that any independence before a majority position is secured is meaningless. She has always advocated strong measures to topple the Smith regime.

On the Middle East crisis, the Pakistani view is that peace will only be restored when Israel withdraws its troops from occupied territories and respects the territorial integrity and independence of Arab states.

Lakewood Joins Ferry Fleet

Oak Bay Recognized

After years of badgering B.C. Ferries' officials for a ferry to bear its name, Oak Bay is finally represented in the fleet—although not officially.

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The unofficial Queen of Oak Bay will be the MV Lakewood, owned by Oak Bay Marina, which will carry passengers from Village Bay and Miners Bay on Mayne Island to Montague Harbor on Galiano Island for the next two or three weeks.

She will be in service until the

wharf at Miners Bay, which was damaged Christmas night by the Mayne Queen, has been repaired.

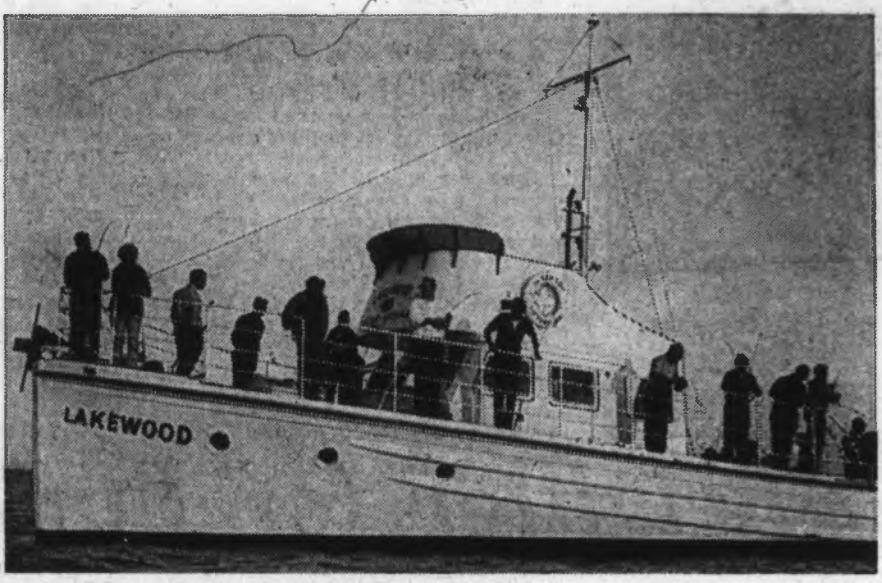
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The first run was at 6:40 a.m. today.

The ship will also carry freight from Swartz Bay to Miners Bay three times a week.

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So far, ferry officials have skirted Oak Bay with ferry names. Ferries are named for Victoria, Esquimalt, and Sidney.



Toward Peace with Israel

Arabs Favor Qualified Deal

From UPI, LAT

Egypt informed Washington in a recent memorandum it would agree to a deal with Israel only if it leads to the evacuation of all Arab territories seized in the 1967 conflict, Arab diplomatic sources said Saturday.

A copy of the reported memorandum, made available by Arab diplomatic sources, agreed to the temporary stationing of United Nations Emergency Forces at strategic frontier positions during the pull-out of Israeli forces.

In the document, President Gamal Abdel Nasser's government pledged to underwrite its obligations in a global deal and deposit formal assurances with the UN Security Council.

The UAR memorandum, approved by all Arab League members, was delivered in answer to a seven-point peace package out-

lined by Secretary of State

Dean Rusk Nov. 2 to UAR Foreign Minister M. A. M. Moustafa, the sources said.

The American proposal called for the Israeli evacuation of captured Arab territories and punishment of those who allowed the Jewish commando raid on Beirut airport to succeed.

The strike, which shut down the country's four universities, emphasizes the growing anger in this ordinarily peaceful nation over the Israeli attack on Dec. 8.

In almost every quarter, the reaction in this nation is one of bitterness and fierce anger toward Israel, with no hint of seeking accommodation.

Jan. 9 Proposed

Nurses Request Contract Talks

VANCOUVER (CP) — The Psychiatric Nurses' Association of British Columbia, Friday, asked the provincial government to begin contract talks Jan. 8.

Dr. F. G. Tucker, provincial deputy minister of mental health, has already denied a similar request from the association, which represents about 1,100 psychiatric nurses.

Dwight Wenham, executive secretary of the association, said that, if the government continues to refuse to negotiate, the PNA will call a special executive meeting to discuss its next move.

The nurses seek a three-year contract doubling the education program for student nurses, additional fringe benefits and grievance and disciplinary procedures. They also seek a monthly top base pay of \$55.

All Major Parties

Four Candidates File For Burnaby Ballot

VANCOUVER (CP) — Four candidates filed nomination papers before the deadline passed Saturday for entries in the Jan. 13 provincial by-election in the Burnaby - Willingdon constituency.

There are 24,210 eligible voters, compared with about 17,000 in 1966 when Mr. Vulliamy won with a 524-vote margin over the Social Credit candidate. The Liberals were far behind.

In the field are: Jim Clark, Liberal, a teacher; Reg Grandison, 30, Conservative, law student; Jim Lorimer, 45, New Democrat, lawyer, and Dr. John Playfair, 38, Social Credit, physician.

The by-election was called after the Oct. 20 death of Fred

Vulliamy, NDP MLA since 1966. Standing in the 55-seat Legislature is: Social Credit 32, NDP 16, Liberal 6, vacant one.

The suburban Vancouver constituency forms part of two federal seats, Burnaby-Seymour and Burnaby-Richmond, both taken by Liberals from the NDP in the last federal election.

NDP leader T. C. Douglas was defeated by Liberal Ray Perrault in Burnaby-Seymour.

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| Drawing and Painting El. | IAS | 300 ART | 9:30-11:30 | 12 | \$12 |
| Dreamaking El. | IAS | 303 | 9:30-11:30 | 12 | \$12 |
| French Conv. El. | IAS | 207 | 9:30-11:30 | 12 | \$12 |
| Guitar and Folksinging "A" | Vic. Sec. | Music | 9:30-10:30 | 12 | \$12 |
| | | | | (1 hr.) | |
| "B" | Vic. Sec. | Music | 10:45-11:45 | 12 | \$12 |
| | | | | (1 hr.) | |
| Judo for Self Defence "A" | Vic. Sec. | New Gym | 9:30-10:30 | 12 | \$12 |
| | | | | (1 hr.) | |
| "B" | Vic. Sec. | New Gym | 10:45-11:45 | 12 | \$12 |
| | | | | (1 hr.) | |
| Speed Reading "A" | IAS | 212 | Theatre | 9:30-10:30 | 12 |
| "B" | IAS | 212 | Theatre | 10:45-11:45 | 12 |
| Tennis Beg. and Int. | Vic. Sec. | Old Gym | 9:30-10:30 | (1 hr.) | \$12 |
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Courtroom Parade

Should Public Pay Fine?

When a drunken 18-year-old goes on a rampage, threatening elderly citizens and striking a taxi driver, should the public pay his \$100 fine when he pleads guilty to causing a disturbance?

This was the question debated in Central Magistrate's Court when Limited R. Dyck, of 742 Lampson, appeared Saturday.

Prosecutor John Macintyre told court Dyck was picked up at 12:05 a.m. Saturday after a taxi driver evicted him from his cab and was struck. He said Dyck also tried to hit an elderly man but was stopped by the driver.

White, Wet And Costly

VANCOUVER (CP)—Lower Mainland municipalities Friday toted up a bill of about \$400,000 to remove December's snowfall that is still being piled into slush by rain. Work crews in some municipalities were still on the job, keeping drains clear of slush.

U.S. Cold Wave

Floridians Among The Chilly

From UPI
A mass of frigid Arctic air kept a firm hold on the north central and eastern half of the United States Saturday, but loosened its grip on the northwest. Freeze warnings were posted for northern Florida.

The mercury again headed for readings of 15 below zero and colder in the Midwest. Saturday night after being driven down as low as 25 below in the pre-dawn hours. By contrast, it was warm and sunny in southern California with temperatures in the 80s.

ENFORCED HOLIDAY
In Wisconsin, a state conservation agent and his wife were rescued by snowmobile after being trapped for nearly three weeks by snow and subzero cold in small house trailer parked in a woods near Stanley, Wis.

Carroll Wilmeth, 36, and his wife, Eva, 30, were found in good condition although they had run out of gas to cook with and were nearly out of food. Wilmeth said they had driven out to the house trailer Dec. 16 for a brief holiday and were trapped by a snowstorm.

In Chicago where the mercury dipped to 8 below zero, a man was found frozen to death in a Loop Street and another died in Cook County Hospital of severe frostbite.

Marine Calendar

NAVY
All ships in port.
MERCHANT
Equipment Drydock, Farmer, Laddysmith, Vessel, Passenger, Houston Passage—Ferries, Houston—Passenger, Texas—Passenger, Campbell River—Passenger, Tidewater—Passenger, Port Alberni—H. R. McMillan, David Ballan, J. V. Clyne, Chemainus—Passenger.

COAST GUARD
Sir James Douglas—Johnstone Strait, Ready—Standards patrol area. Bonne—Standards patrol area. Canada—In port. Vancouver—in port. Quadra—On station. Pape.

Death Takes Veteran Of Two World Wars

A military man who wouldn't quit and finished up serving with the Merchant Navy during the Second World War died suddenly Friday.

Funeral services will be held in McCall's Chapel at 1 p.m. Tuesday for Major Eric A. Henderson, who served with the 7th Battalion, CEF, in the First World War, and started out in the Second World War as command of the First Canadian Scottish.

He was wounded in action in the First World War and, although he went overseas with the Scottish in 1941, he was considered too old for front-line service and returned to Canada. He retired to the reserve officers list June of 1943.

Six Councils Begin New Year Monday

Six councils in the Greater Victoria area will hold mandatory inaugural meetings of 1968 Monday.

Courses for the year's work will be charted by the mayors in their inaugural addresses, and new aldermen elected Dec. 7 will be sworn into office.

Saanich, Sidney, North Saanich, Central Saanich and Esquimalt councils will meet at 7:30 p.m.

Oak Bay council will meet at 8 p.m.

December's 15 Weather Records All Bad

As many Victorians suspected, December was a record-breaking month for weather. Here are some of the figures from the weather office:

Fifteen weather records were broken, all of them bad.

The lowest temperature ever recorded in Victoria was Dec. 29, when the mercury dropped to 3.8 degrees. The mean temperature was 36.2 degrees, 5.7 below normal. The maximum temperature for December came on Dec. 14, when the reading

was 49.1, which was 4.3 degrees below normal.

There was 23.5 inches of snow, a jump of 21.5 inches over the normal.

There were only 57.3 hours of bright sunlight, 8.4 hours fewer than the average.

The wind blew harder, registering gale force on 13 days, with a high gust of 72 miles an hour on Dec. 13.

The weather over the whole of 1968 was colder, wetter and drier than the normal, but no

all-year records were broken except for the low temperature on Dec. 29, 3.8 degrees.

Total precipitation in 1968 was 29.59 inches, compared with the record of 39.36 inches in 1887.

The lowest year was 1952, with 16.01 inches.

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The wettest month in 1968 was December, with 5.45 inches. There were 164 days with measurable precipitation.

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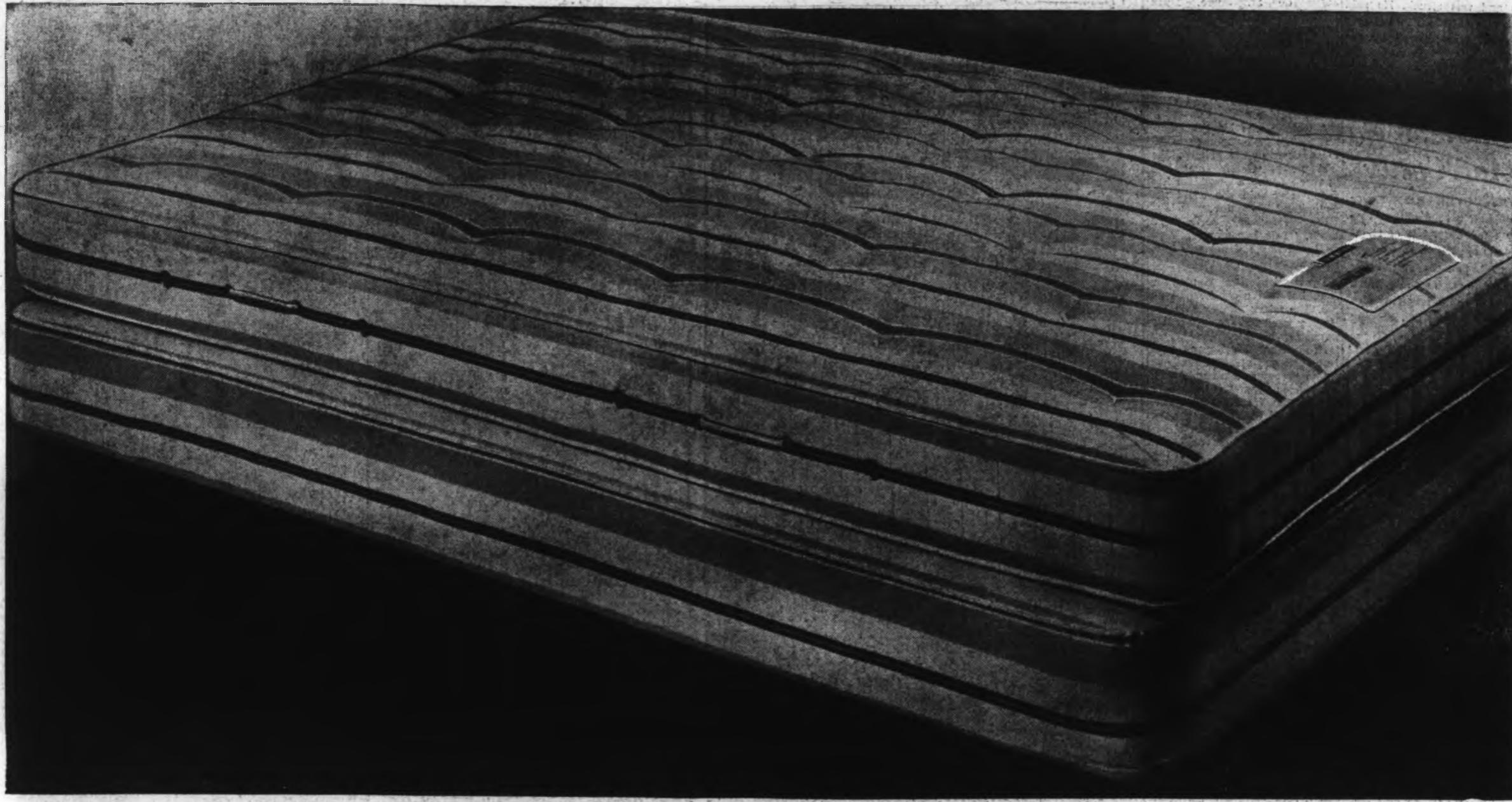
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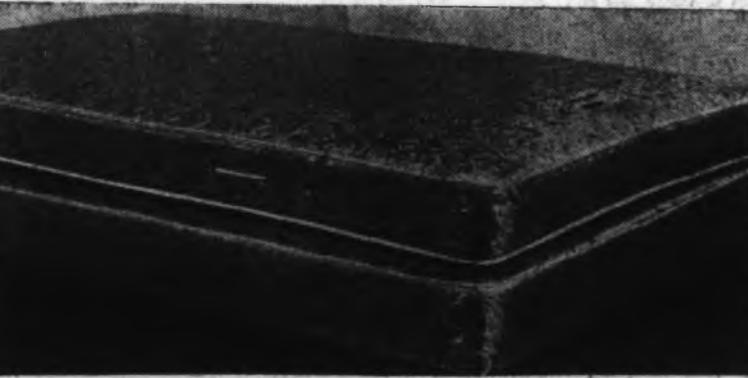
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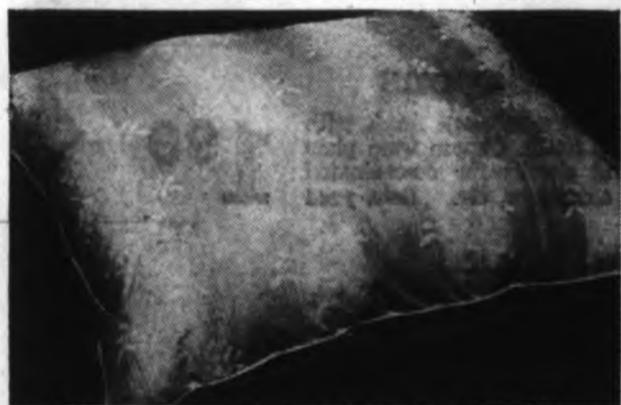
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169

Sale, yard

45" Woven Gingham Plaids

Crisp, new-look ginghams. Sanforized and mercerized for easy wash and wear. Fashion this into tailored shirts, frilly blouses or tailored sports clothes to wear south now and at home this summer. Wide choice of colors from which to choose in new wider width.

99

Sale, yard

44" Handwashable Angelskin

Acetate in a fine, supple weave you'll like for lining, blouses and fine lingerie. Hand washable, easy-iron in cream, gold, apricot, shock pink, pink, red, tomato, eggshell, mink, lavender, purple, light blue, turquoise, aqua, navy, royal, lime, jade, black, white.

59

Sale, yard

54" Wool and Viscose Suiting

Popular Barrymore fabric in plain shades and handsome checks to fashion into skirts, suits, jumpers and pant suits. Choose lively shades of turquoise, lime, beige, yellow, navy, pink, grey mix, navy mix and white.

339

Sale, yard

48 inch Arnel Jersey Prints

Save 51c—Reg. 2.50. Soft-draping and non-crease travel fabric with orange, pink, green, blue, aqua, navy, beige, brown, lilac or yellow prints on white or colour grounds. Easy-care choice for dresses, loungers and feminine blouses.

199

Sale, yard

35" Terry Plains and Prints

Easy-care wash 'n wear cotton to whip up into shortsies for the sauna and beach coats for your winter down south. Zingy prints and luscious plains, including pink, rose, mink, royal, gold, moss, maize, tangerine, white, shell, sky, red and mint. Prints, Reg. 2.19—Save 50c

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Plains, Reg. 1.69—Save 30c

139

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Save 51c—Reg. 2.50. Washable, crease-resistant blend of viscose and acetate in a weight and texture for a 3-piece tunic suit. High fashion shades of absinthe, salmon, cucumber, surf, pearl, iris, bon bon and white.

199

Sale, yard

36" Sailcloth Prints and Plains

Mercerized, crease-resistant, washable cottons in all the new shades and designs you'd expect from this fashion favourite. Colours range through pink, rose, turquoise, blue, red, navy, green, lime, yellow, orange and white.

129

Sale, yard

45" Cupramonium Shantung

Crease-resistant prints in a perennials slab weave favourite for cool-and-pretty shirtwaists and dress-up loungers. Blue, pink, tan, green, aqua, mauve and white in a silk-look fabric that travels and packs well.

139

Sale, yard



45" Minicare Dobby Prints

Non-crease, washable cotton in some of the most attractive stylized floral and geometric designs of the season. High style colour combinations of blue, melon, green, beige, pink, yellow and navy. Make up now. Be ready for the first day of Spring.

179

Sale, yard

Wool-Look Acrylic Novelties

45" width gives you economy-cutting for "city pants", or one of the new tunic-style suits. Refreshing checks in coral/green, blue/orange, rust/coral, turquoise/green or lime/green. Looks and feels like light weight wool, non-crease.

299

Sale, yard

36" Gay Flannelette Prints

"Acadia" in a fantastic array of designs to inspire sleep. Make striped pyjamas for him, floral nighties for her, and choose from storybook prints for the nursery set. Exceptionally low priced now for the budget-minded.

49

Sale, yard

54" Vinyl Leathers

The leather look goes into spring in a vivid new range of colours which includes red, orange, teal, bright blue, white, antique white, black or brown. Reg. 4.50, Save 1.55!

295

Sale, yard

54" Bonded Fabrics

Reg. 5.95, 6.95 and 7.95, Save 1.96 to 3.96! Bonded cotton or Acrylics plus many more at these generous savings! Choose from checks, novelty weaves, metallic effects for daytime and after-five fashions.

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Sale, yard

45" Brushed Rayons

Reg. 2.49, Save 50c! Crease-resistant fabric with a downy-soft wool-like finish. Choose from plain colours and matching checks for co-ordinated sportswear, daytime ensembles, etc.

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Sale, yard

60" Terylene Crimplene

Reg. 10.95, Save 3.06! Imported from the British Isles . . . novelty weave no-iron fabric in colours of white, rose pink, red, turquoise, kelly, lime, navy and black.

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Sale, yard

36" Wool Blend Prints

Reg. 3.50 and 3.95, Save 1.51 and 1.96! Elegant dress weight rayon and wool blends. Colourful all-over prints for a high fashion look to dresses and ensembles.

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Sale, yard

Clearance of Brocades

Fabric inspirations to set you busy sewing up glittering new evening fashions. All are from regular stock, limited colour and pattern choice in rayon and metallic brocades.

349

Sale, yard

Fabrics, Dept. 233, Third Floor.



Unable to wait, householders pile trash high at Wharf Street dump

Major Snarl Foreseen

Storm Brews
Over Garbage

By DON COLLINS

There was a new storm forming Saturday night that threatens to create a bigger snarl for Greater Victoria's garbage collection than the heavy snows of last week.

Spell it C-O-N-T-R-O-V-E-R-S-Y.

It could, according to some of the people involved, mean that:

- All existing dumps are operating illegally.
- If changes aren't made collection could become more expensive.

• One result could be no garbage collection at all for 16,000 to 20,000 people in the Langford - Colwood-Metchosin-Sooke areas.

• Millstream Road dump operators are continuing to accept and burn refuse. They had been told that burning must stop by Jan. 1 and that they must live up to a 29-point program set out for them by the area health board.

• Robert Scafe, said Saturday night he had planned to close his dump, but had changed his mind after making an investigation.

• He had learned, he said, that regulations concerning garbage disposal are in the hands of the provincial pollution control board and not the regional health board.

• It was necessary, he said, to obtain a permit from the provincial body before operating a garbage dump.

• "I asked the top man if anyone in Victoria had such a permit and he said the answer was no," Mr. Scafe said.

• Then I asked him if anyone had applied for such a permit and he again told me the answer was no."

• A. W. Patenaude, who collects garbage in the Colwood-Langford - Metchosin - Sooke areas said he had learned that private concerns cannot hold such permits. They must be applied for by municipalities or water districts, he said.

• The Hartland Road dump, which would be the site of a site earmarked for all refuse if the Millstream Road dumps were closed, is operated by Greater Victoria medical health officer Dr. J. L. Whitbread.

• Told of the claims that were being made and the decision of the Millstream Road dump operators to defy the regulations, Dr. Whitbread said:

• "I'll have to look into that next week."

16,000 people face such a problem?"

Some of those involved say 20,000 people in the area depend on garbage collection.

Meanwhile, garbage collection throughout the area has remained a week and more behind schedule as a result of the snowstorms. Spokesmen in the major municipalities, where extra men and equipment have been pressed into action, say collection will return to normal by Wednesday at the latest.

Esquimalt expects its garbage collection to be on normal routine by Monday.

The exception is the unincorporated area where Mr. Patenaude's three trucks and four workers returned to work for the first time Saturday.

"We won't be back to normal for two months," he said.

Flood of Flood Reports

Tar Crews Wait
For Thaw End

Flooding and pothole complaints were coming in "thick and fast," in the words of one policeman Saturday, as Greater Victorians faced the problems of a thaw speeding up under the weight of rainfall.

Frost pockets heaving under paved roads turned into potholes under the wheels of increased traffic in some areas.

Saanich police said they had "some pothole complaints," but said flooding of basements, yards, streets, and lawns accounted for 75 calls in one hour Saturday.

A spokesman said there were complaints from neighbors "bickering over whose melting snowbank was draining the most water into whose yard."

The Saanich public works yard said it had 38 calls Saturday regarding flooding, and kept a man on duty until midnight to handle such calls.

Municipal engineer Neville Life said potholes in Saanich were "fairly widespread," but he wouldn't know for a week or so to what extent.

"We'll be taking a look when the snow is gone," he said, "and then we'll be patching. We're usually patching all the time at this time of year, anyhow. We don't expect the damage to be very serious."

Oak Bay municipal engineer G. O. White said potholes were "not a major problem" but this type of damage showed up on roads with only flush-coated surfaces.

The municipality has from 10 to 15 miles of such roads, he added.

"A really bad spot is Cedar Hill Cross Road at the Cadboro Bay Road end, for a couple of hundred feet. We didn't have a chance to get it asphalted before Christmas."

Sooke RCMP said they had only one call about a flooded basement, and their major thaw problem was the inundated West Coast Road. "Don't drive it," was their final word.

City engineer James Garnett said he didn't expect much pothole damage in Victoria. Esquimalt, Sidney and Colwood also escaped relatively lightly.



'Municipalities Lack Control'

Firemen Looking for Vote

By NANCY BROWN

Sidney and North Saanich volunteer firemen want to become voting members of the fire committee because, they claimed Saturday, neither municipality is entitled to assume control over the department.

The firemen, due to quit their jobs en masse on Feb. 1, made the proposal as a means of resolving the present dispute over the hiring of a full-time fire chief.

In a letter to the two councils the firemen referred to an agreement which they said came to their attention after their resignations.

Under the 1960 agreement the

firehall and lot were transferred to Sidney, while the firefighting equipment was deemed to be vested in the North Saanich fire protection district which later became the municipality of North Saanich.

Both parties to the agreement undertook to hold the assets in trust for the volunteer fire department.

"The agreement speaks for itself," said the letter, signed by fire department president Bill Atkinson.

"Under it neither municipality

JUST TRUSTEES

"They are, however, conditional trustees of all the assets for this association which comprises the succession of public-spirited individuals who for many years past have contributed to volunteer their services to conduct the operations of both the fire and ambulance services in North Saanich and Sidney."

The firemen deplored the claims of both municipalities to fire department assets and also the assumption of control of authority over field operations by the joint fire committee on which they do not have a vote.

The fire committee, they said, came into being following the formation of North Saanich and culminated in the refusal to accept the recommendations of the operating association that a full-time chief is now needed.

DIFFERENT ASPECT

"The revelation of the existence of the agreement puts a totally different aspect on the present unhappy state of affairs for, with our rights restored, our resignations are no longer necessary and jointly and severally we still desire to render service to this area," concluded the letter.

North Saanich Mayor J. B. Cumming said he is aware of the existence of the agreement, but he has never before seen it interpreted in the way the firemen did.

The letter will be referred to the municipal affairs department and to the municipal solicitor for study, he said.

MAYOR DOUBTFUL

"If the firemen are right, then it would resolve several matters," said the mayor, although he doubted that the interpretation was correct.

Working Wives Approved

Singles Eligible to Adopt

Two major changes in the procedure for adopting a child in Greater Victoria were made after consultation with a parents' committee, Mrs. B. Levitt Packford said Saturday.

The Family and Children's Service supervisor said that from now on single adults over 30 can adopt children as can married couples where the wife is working.

Mrs. Packford said that the service had insisted that in the event of an adoption by a married woman and husband, the working wife stay home for at least a year.

In the past, she added, the

people who had already taken youngsters.

Adoption of children by single adults has been allowed by the Adoption Act but it had not been the policy of the local Family and Children's Service to accept such applications, Mrs. Packford said.

"In our society today there are many one-parent families and we are catching up with reality," Mrs. Packford said.

In the past, she added, the service had insisted that in the event of an adoption by a married woman and husband, the working wife stay home for at least a year.

At the present time, the supervisor said, adoption procedure covers a period of about five months for a newly-born baby boy.

Damage to Yachts
Could Be Avoided

Damage to private boats and marine installations from snow and frost in the Victoria area was estimated Saturday to be in the vicinity of \$125,000, according to Victor Griffin, past commander of the Victoria Power Squadron.

Mr. Griffin, a man who has

been around boats all his life, said the principal damage to boats which were sunk would be to superstructure and upholstery. Engines, even if submerged, he said

could be flushed out with anti-rust compounds and put back in working order at not too great expense, if treated promptly.

"I realize that damage was heavy and that a great many boatshouses collapsed, but it should be remembered that many of these buildings were not expensive in the first place, and that they can be repaired for a couple of

hundred dollars," Mr. Griffin said.

He added that he did not believe many marine engine blocks cracked in the icy weather. He said boat engines were not out in the wind and cold as an automobile engine would be. They were protected to some extent and even if submerged, were in a higher temperature than a car.

"I think the whole thing was dramatized, and while I feel for boat-owners who suffered damage to their craft, I don't think the over-all picture is nearly as serious as it has been portrayed," Mr. Griffin said.

Much of the damage occurred because to the average layman his boat was a toy, he said.

"Most of them don't have the slightest idea of how to take care of them, and in a sudden onslaught such as that over the holiday, no precautions had been taken."

His boat and boathouse had suffered no damage, Mr. Griffin added, because he had gone out early in the storm and shovelled the snow off the roof.

Comox, Not Vancouver

Teachers' Flight Detoured

A Pacific Western Airlines Boeing 707, on a charter flight from Honolulu, was forced to land at Comox armed forces air base Saturday afternoon because of heavy fog at their original destination, Vancouver. All of the 153 passengers were from Victoria.

PWA officials said the passengers were taken in four buses to Victoria's Patricia Bay airport for customs and immigration inspection.

The flight was chartered for the

Greater Victoria Teachers Association by Totem Travel Service Ltd. in Victoria.

Totem spokesman William Ferguson said he had heard that two CP Air planes, one from Mexico and another from Honolulu, had also been forced to land at Comox because of weather conditions in Vancouver.

The duty officer at Comox base said the airport is often used by commercial aircraft as an alternate landing field.



Watery Storage

Max Lohbrunner's fishboat Mel has joined his beloved sealing ship Green in watery grave at Victoria's garbage wharf in Inner Harbor. Funnel and mast of Green, left, and double trolling poles of Mel project through floating logs at right. As far as harbor officials are concerned both will remain on bottom until owner considers he is finished with them or unless there is request to use that particular section of harbor. Lohbrunner, 83, right, convalescing in St. Joseph's Hospital after suffering from malnutrition, remembers sealing days in Bering Sea off Japanese coast, Aleutians, Alaska and Queen Charlotte Islands.—(Jim Ryan)

Ann Landers



Dear Ann Landers: We moved to this fine city during the summer and have found it a friendly place. We want to stay here for both business and social reasons but our children are miserable.

John and Mary are respectful, well-behaved children who have never been in any kind of trouble. They have always loved school. Now they hate it. Every morning one or the other (or both) complains of a headache or a stomachache—anything to stay home. Last week we got to the root of the

Kids in 'Dunce Seats'

Our son happens to be a bright student so we know he is not "sour grapes." He says he feels sorry for the kids who are in the "dunce seats" as he calls them and we believe him. Our daughter started out somewhere in the middle but has steadily been moved back. Now she is in the "boob row."

My husband is ready to ask his boss for a transfer. He says he can't be happy when his kids are miserable. What do you suggest?—LUBBOCK MOTHER

Dear Mother: I agree that this academic caste system is a poor one and ought to be abolished. A committee of

problem. The teachers in both the third and fifth grade seat the students according to academic standing. The moment a person walks into the classroom he can see who the "smart" ones are and who the "dumb" ones are.

ERMA BOMBECK Tries Talking

Call from Maxine Feed Time Signal

My evenings have all the excitement of turning a page in the Christian Science Reading Room.

I don't expect to bowl anyone over with my conversation, but I try. "I washed your Supporth today." I'm drying on the towel rack. (Grunt) Did I tell you our Avon Lady is a man? (Grunt) Jane Withers unclogged our sink today. (Grunt) I'm having an affair with 16-year-old traffic boy."

"Yeah, well I gave at the office. Want part of the paper?"

I wander out to where the kids are sprawled in front of the TV set. "How was your lunch today?"

"I left it on the bus. Shush."

"Anyone want to communicate with me? No waiting. No numbers. Just step right up."

"Shhhh! We can't hear Mod Squad."

Above the silence, the phone rings. It's Maxine and it's for me.

From the living room comes a voice, "Who is it?"

I cover the phone. "It's Maxine."

"What does she want?"

"I don't know yet. I just answered the phone."

Daughter whispering in my ear: "Hurry up! I've got to call Mary before 9 o'clock."

"Don't hang on there all

night. We've got to talk about these Christmas bills. And the car. And I got a message for you from Ed. And remind me to tell you about the Fresco's."

I cover the phone. "What do you mean your teacher wants a conference with me at any hour I get in. Ask Maxine what? Ask her yourself. I cannot thread that needle without my glasses. Where's the door? What's the dog barking about? What's the tropical fish awhile?"

"Did I mention I'm leaving for Efran Zimbalist Jr. (Grunt) I know where you hide your comb in the bathroom. (Grunt) Guess I'll mosey along upstairs and talk to the reporter fish awhile..."

Maxine, I'll have to call you back. All of a sudden it's feeding time at the zoo."

Before I can hang up the room reverts to the way it was. The children are silent. "Old hats and horns" has barricaded himself behind the newspaper.

"Did I mention I'm leaving for Efran Zimbalist Jr. (Grunt) I know where you hide your comb in the bathroom. (Grunt) Guess I'll mosey along upstairs and talk to the reporter fish awhile..."

It figures. It's always me. Look

A Lovelier You

Civility Begins at Home

By MARY SUE MILLER

Some people scoff at the idea of etiquette, but no one derides good manners. In reality the two are allied, springing from a common ground of self-respect and consideration for others.

Any person who ridicules the code of agreeable behavior misses its reasoning for being.

The sole purpose is to smooth life's path, in ways that are understood and accepted by the majority.

Courtesy begins in the family circle. When family members treat each other with the consideration proffered to guests, home is a happy haven. Children respond in kind to

the treatment accorded them. The course of adult relations is far pleasanter. The most difficult persons, unless entirely witless, finally get the message and are won over to civility.

Of equal significance is the fact that homegrown attitudes carry over into public action. Members of mannerly families are polite and considerate of outsiders. It comes naturally to them to say Please, Thank You and Excuse Me . . . to avoid such public annoyances as littering the streets, let's say, or talking in the tones of a blabbing transistor at a lunch counter.

It is said that courtesy breeds courtesy. The rude

nesses we suffer and complain about in public life today would fade, if only more of us planted seeds of good conduct.



It's probably true that hard work is a tonic, but many people never get sick enough to try the medicine.

An audiologist defined a hearing aid whimsically as, "an ultra-miniature device which is always considered to be, which you never notice, which must amplify sound 100 times without any 'noise'; which must work though flooded with dust, perspiration and talcum; which a person always postpones getting until he is really ill; then is unable to do without for one day when it needs repairing."

Sign at marriage license window: "Come To Lunch—You Haven't Until 1:00 To Think It Over."

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short, short dress to sleep in, sun in or just lounge around.

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Reporters Betray Spring Fashion Show

Politics Beats Boudoir Bras

NEW YORK (AP) — Clothes can't compete with politics.

That was made clear Saturday when such style-setters as pants suits and see-through blouses were upstaged by President-elect Richard Nixon.

Nixon's officers are in the hotel in which the New York Couture Group is holding its spring fashion previews. And when word reached the 200 fashion reporters that the president-elect was on the same floor on which the collections were being shown, the clothes barely got a second glance.

In front of my eyes my son acts out an elaborate pantomime indicating to me (a) he is going to an AA meeting with a friend; (b) he has been bitten by the dreaded Malayan tick and is succumbing; or (c) he wants to split a soft drink with his brother.

Voice from the living room: "Did you wash out my you-know-what?"

I cover the phone. "Yes, I told you that. You weren't listening."

"Don't hang on there all

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Dining room's handsome carved ceiling adorns a much-changed gathering-place



Compare Old, New

Mystery Empress Photos Found

By BILL STAVDAL

Until they invent a time machine the next-best thing will be comparing old and new photographs. For Empress Hotel buffs here's a selection taken within the Grand Old Lady of Government Street, in her youth and today.

The three early-day photos were taken about 50 years ago, at a guess. Readers can play a guessing game of pinning down the date because at the moment nobody knows where the prints came from.

Dr. Gordon Fields, head of the department of biology at the University of Victoria, found them in a trunk of old family belongings. There is not even a photographer's stamp on the backs.

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For a comparison of old and new, photographer Robin Clarke took the prints down to the Empress and stationed his camera as close as possible to the points where the old photos were snapped.

Besides noting the exceptional quality of the old pictures

Mr. Clarke discovered that the unknown photographer possessed a wide-angle lens remarkable for the time.

He was hard-pressed to match the angle covered by the pictures he duplicated, Mr. Clarke reported.

Finding clues to the date-guessing game involves spotting as many differences as possible in old and new photos.

The Empress was opened in January, 1908. The lobby of that time featured globe and teardrop shaped lights everywhere.

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A first-glance comparison of the lighting indicates that the original chandeliers have been replaced.

Look again. The fixtures were turned upside-down at some time, their globes removed and replaced with modern lamp-shades.

Originally there were twin doors from the lobby to the dining room. Later one was bricked in.

The fireplace at the north end of the lobby also has been plastered.

Perhaps the most startling feature shown by the older

photo is that the east wall of the lobby at one time was merely a partition which didn't reach the ceiling. A detail of the moulding in the tea lounge beyond can be seen above the partition.

There were also two doors leading from the lobby to the tea lounge. Today there is only one, but its moulding is the original.

The tea lounge is dramatically different today and will be even more changed when the hotel's Operation Teacup renovation project is complete.

Besides the clearing of the jungle greenery, the glass of the domed skylight has been replaced with a different pattern.

When the older photo was taken the tea lounge did not have the fountain which graced the room for many years.

The fountain later went to the conservatory. So did the combination hanging flower basket-chandeliers seen here in the older photo.

Another contrast is tile flooring in the old tea lounge, compared with parquet flooring today.

In the dining room chandeliers also have been reversed and fitted with modern shades.

The dining room still has wood flooring but not the original, which was replaced during Operation Teacup.

The most striking feature of the dining room, its elaborate carved ceiling, remains untouched. The CPR went to extra expense to preserve the ceiling, installing air conditioning beneath a raised floor at left and rear instead of hiding ducts above a dropped ceiling.

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Les Parkinson, manager-emeritus of the Empress, points out that the chairs in the old dining room photo were the distinctive CPR design used all across the country. Note the studs on the upholstery and the casters beneath the front legs.

Aside from the building itself, some of the furniture provides a direct link with the old and new photos. Mrs. Parkinson says that some of the round-backed chairs in the lobby of the old-time Empress are still in use—re-covered, of course—in the lobby today.

But who took the old photographs, and when?



Old lobby featured globe chandeliers which somebody turned upside-down



The tea lounge today, minus the jungle, which is shown at right





Tears of Happiness

Mrs. Mary Brigham of Ocala, Fla., hugs her son, Spec. 4 James Brigham, at an air base near Washington, D.C., on his return from captivity by Viet Cong. Brigham was one of three U.S. soldiers turned over to Americans in a paddy field 50 miles from Saigon on New Year's Day in unprecedented Cong move.—(AP)

Missed Indian Uprising

Two Victorians Safe and Well

Bill and Heather Gardam of Victoria are safe in Georgetown, Guyana, 300 miles from an insurrection in Lethem, near the country's border with Brazil.

Bill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. N. H. Gardam of 4570 Torquay, received word from their son in the Guyana capital Saturday morning.

The young couple, who work for Canadian University Service Overseas, were thought to be at Ignatius Hostel, near the Amerindian cattle town of Lethem.

The Gardams run the hostel, where they live, and teach school. They are due back in Victoria next summer after two years in the South American country.

The Gardams were in Georgetown for the Christmas holidays and missed the recent fighting between Amerindians and the army in which about 14 persons were reported killed.

Heather's mother is Mrs. Ruth Roberts, 1186 Palmer.

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Thursday, 1:30 p.m.—Social.

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Mom Bakes Welcome

from AP, UPI

The promise of some of his son's home baked bread and a huge American flag on the front lawn of his home in McAllen, Tex., was just the way Major James Rowe, 30, wanted his homecoming to be Saturday.

Rowe, who recently escaped after five years' captivity from the Viet Cong in South Vietnam, arrived home in civilian clothes with the express wish that his welcome be a quiet one. Nevertheless civic officials and swarms of newsmen were on hand.

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Rowe's mother promised the bread and flag were out there for all the neighbors to see as the proud parents greeted their suddenly famous son. The family then asked for 72 hours of privacy.

Meanwhile, in San Diego, with their families looking on proudly, the skipper and nine members of the crew of the USS Pueblo were given the Purple Heart medal for injuries received when their vessel was captured last Jan. 23 off North Korea.

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The Pueblo's surviving 82 crew members were released Dec. 23 after 11 months imprisonment.

In another scene of stark contrast, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hinkle returned to their home in Scappoose, Ore., with their army private son, Robert Jr., 21. He had broken down and cried when rejoining his unit at Fort Lewis, Wash., facing the prospect of a quick overseas posting to Vietnam.

In San Diego, Rear-Adm. Horace D. Warden, the naval hospital's commanding officer, pinned medals on Cmdr. Lloyd Bucher and eight crewmen.

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Bucher, confined to a hospital room for a week with a respiratory illness and mental fatigue, said simply: "Thank you." His wife, Rose, and two sons stood nearby.

One Pueblo crewman, Duane Hodges of Creswell, Ore., was killed in the Jan. 23, 1968, seizure. His parents will re-

ceive his Purple Heart later.

The senior Hinkle claims his son has the mentality of a 10-year-old.

"I was supposed to turn him over to the army at noon," Hinkle said. "When we got into the fort and Robert started to get out of the pick-up, he saw all those uniforms and just broke down and cried and we couldn't do anything with him."

Hinkle said a colonel refused to have a medical officer go out to look at the youth or to get a stretcher and bring him into a hospital.

"A medical officer, a major, said he would look at Robert if we'd bring him inside," the father said. "But we couldn't do that—he was too upset."

The father said the youth's psychologist, Dr. Norman Hickman, Portland, told them

that "If Robert continues military service another day we'll have to put him in an institution when we get him back."

"We don't want that ... ever," he said.

Hinkle said the military finally agreed to allow them to take their son home and return Monday.

"But they still couldn't promise me they wouldn't send him to Vietnam," Hinkle said. "But I'm taking him back up there to see what they're going to do."

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Hinkle said Robert was classified 1Y in 1967 as "not acceptable for military service because of physical, mental or moral conditions."

He was reclassified 1A by a draft board later and sent to Fort Lewis where he failed his final basic training tests. An army spokesman there said, however, that the boy passed them after three weeks of refresher training.

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Hinkle said that while he does not feel the army mistreated his son, he thinks they "just don't know how to handle mentally retarded boys."

"It means nothing to them," he said. "It means everything to me."

Clubs, Societies

Victoria chapter of the B.C. Civil Liberties Association elected Ron Leighton president; Dr. William Goods, vice-president; Mrs. C. S. Burchill, secretary-treasurer, and Alan Donashian, executive member, at its first annual general meeting Friday.

The auxiliary to the Veterans' Hospital's monthly meeting has been postponed from Jan. 8 to Jan. 15. It will be held at 2 p.m. in the Veterans' Hospital, 2335 Richmond Road.

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Young Station Long Overdue

By KING LEE

This may be the year Victoria finally gets its "rock" station.

The CBC station in Vancouver, CBU, is applying sometime this year for a power boost to 50,000 watts, which would mean Victoria will be well within listening range.

That being the case, CJVI has already made some "unofficial" inquiries in Ottawa about strapping off its CBC commitments if and when the CBU application is approved.

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Program manager Ron Robinson confirmed CJVI has made some overtures in Ottawa to sever its CBC ties but only said "no comment" to a question about any changes in music policy.

The other two AM stations in Victoria seem set in their ways as far as music is concerned so the logical choice appears to be CJVI. Behind the other two in total ratings, the station virtually has nothing to lose, once they get the authority to strip away the shackles.

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True, there may be an initial loss in revenue when sponsors cancel out because of the change, but, in time, the slack will be taken up by merchants who deal with the 13-30 age bracket.

With careful, correct and massive public relations work, public service policies for the young people and breaking off its "talk" programming and concentrating on today's contemporary music sound, CJVI would have a ready-made audience who are tired of sedate chamber music and heart-rending but solvable problems of senior citizenry.

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Leave that to the other two. Even though the average age of a Victorian is older than that of any other Canadian city, there isn't enough of them buying enough products from advertisers to feed three AM stations. This fact must be abundantly clear to the management of CJVI.

So why not take a chance. See if the young people of Victoria won't support a "rock" station.

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Done with a professional attitude, professional people and a great deal of faith and some cash from the chain to which the station belongs, CJVI just might come out on top, and stay there.

Gentlemen, there is a genuine need and room for a station for Victoria's young people.

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When the Supremes and Temptations special was shown for the second time, during the week ending Dec. 15, it placed fifth in over-all ratings. Compare that with the .50th place ranking of President-elect Richard Nixon's introduction of his cabinet during prime time. Guess what program was top-rated?

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Lennon Albums Confiscated

NEWARK, N.J. (Reuters) — About 30,000 record albums featuring nude photographs of John Lennon and his Japanese girlfriend Yoko Ono were seized here last week as pornographic material.

The record albums were bound for a New Jersey discount department store from a Los Angeles distributor when they were confiscated at Newark Airport.

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Raise Received

VANCOUVER (CP)—The 111 principals and administrators employed by the Vancouver school board have been awarded a 6.1-per-cent salary increase for 1969 by a compulsory arbitration board.

Record Week

Would you believe Gomer Pyle, USMC?

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Hit LPs: James Brown has a new album out called "A Few Nice Things." Van Morrison, who faded after his initial hit, "Brown Eyed Girl," has released an album which contains eight long cuts, "Astral Weeks." Silk N' Soul is the name of Gladys Knight and the Pip's latest album.

The reason for the slow

sales of Elvis Presley's soundtrack album from his television special is that it is only available in monaural, not in stereo. It seems kind of silly to put out a non-stereo record these days.

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Hit Singles: A Minute of Your Time, Tom Jones' latest, is climbing very quickly. The western influence seems to be creeping back in again with the success of Tammy Wynette's Stand By You. Man Tammi Terrell tries to cash in with This Old Heart of Mine.

Richard Harris makes another attempt with a Jimmy Webb tune, The Hive. The Delks come forth with Does Anybody Know I'm Here.

Top 20 in Victoria

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| 1. Wichita Lineman | Glen Campbell |
| 2. Love Child | Diana Ross & Supremes |
| 3. If I Can Dream | Elvis Presley |
| 4. Shame, Shame | Magic Lanterns |
| 5. Both Sides Now | Judy Collins |
| 6. Son of a Preacher Man | Dusty Springfield |
| 7. I Heard It Through the Grapevine | Marvin Gaye |
| 8. I Put a Spell On You | Creedence Clearwater |
| 9. I Started a Joke | Bee Gees |
| 10. Les Bicyclettes de Belsee | Engelbert Humperdinck |
| 11. Stormy | Classics 4 |
| 12. Kentucky Woman | Deep Purple |
| 13. TII | Vogues |
| 14. Crimson and Clover | Tommy James & Shondells |
| 15. A Ray of Hope | Rascals |
| 16. Bella Linda | Grassroots |
| 17. I'm Gonna Make You Love Me | Supremes & Temptations |
| 18. See Saw | Aretha Franklin |
| 19. Who's Makin' Love | Johnny Taylor |
| 20. Going Up the Country | Canned Heat |

Week on the Prairies

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Cistern Blast Scene

HOMWOOD, Man. (CP)— Two men were injured Saturday when a concrete roof collapsed and pinned them in a municipal cistern in this community 60 miles southwest of Winnipeg.

Town residents, police and fire brigade volunteers worked for about 30 minutes to free Frank Derken and Lawrence Zacharias, both of Morris, Man., from the wreckage.

Police said the roof collapsed in an explosion which was believed to have been touched off by propane gas fumes. The men, who were painting the interior of the new 10,000-gallon cistern, had removed a heater and were striking out a water pump. It struck the cistern wall, providing a spark to set off the explosion.

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"Unless some real incentives are offered, then the job won't be done," SFU vice-president Frank Dietz of Saskatoon told a news conference in Regina. He

said farmers don't have enough cash to pay for grain drying themselves.

Lawyer William Johnson has announced in Edmonton he will seek the Social Credit nomination in Alberta's by-election in Strathcona East, left vacant by the resignation of former premier E. C. Manning.

Mr. Johnson was defeated in the last provincial election by Progressive Conservative Lou Hyndman in a close race in Edmonton West.

The nomination meeting is scheduled Jan. 9 in Edmonton. The by-election will be held Monday, Feb. 10.

The University of Saskatchewan's board of governors has denounced The Carillon, student newspaper of the Regina campus, and said fees used to finance the paper and other student activities would no longer be collected from students by the university.

In a press release, the board of governors said The Carillon has pursued an editorial policy "clearly aimed at undermining confidence in the senate, board of governors and the administration of the university."

It said the language and illustrations in the student newspaper "have given offence to an increased segment of a public that expects better of an institution of higher learning."

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KITTE TURMELL Has Hint for Teenagers

Closed Door Policy Best If Brief

To open all doors, to let happiness in at midnight, is a Danish custom to celebrate the start of your New Year. What's the closed door policy in your house?

When you shut yourself up in your room, does it signify retreat? Or banishment? Or defiance?

Do you hang up signs like "Don't Disturb" or "Unwelcome, Everybody." Do you appear only after long intervals, and then only long enough to raid the refrigerator or cookie jar?

And do your parents worry about you? Or take it in their stride?

This is a point of friction in many families, reports Leon L. Lerner, the executive director of the B'nai B'rith Vocational Service in Baltimore, Md. For a happier New Year, here are his suggestions.

"It's natural to want to be yourself in your room, to rest, to study, to listen to the radio or talk to friends," Mr. Lerner explains. "But you're overdoing it when you fail to come to meals when called."

So, if you close that door too often, ask yourself: "Am I ignoring my parents because we have so little in common? Is there anything wrong with our family life? Why don't I spend more time with my family? And why is there so little communication between us?"

But on the other hand, consider your parents' reaction. All your life they have known what you were doing every minute of the day. They could look in on you at any moment. You all took that for granted. Now there's suddenly a barrier between you. They're hurt. They don't understand.

"Teenagers need to be left

alone," Lerner says. "Their room is really the best place for that. They're safe and sound there, with no interference."

ambitions, relationships with others.

"And they want to dream their dreams."

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"Not at all. Behind the closed door they feel secure because they know they can stay away awhile, then come back without being rejected by their parents."

"Suddenly they're no longer children. They want to straighten out ideas about themselves, their bodies,

use the peace and quiet to do homework and serious reading. Some waste the time by watching TV or talking on the phone or reading junk. Of course, everybody does some daydreaming."

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"How can a teenager help his parents understand all this?"

"First, he can tell them what he does in there. Some

parents to give him advance notice before they entertain, especially if they expect him to be a junior host. And he should make it clear that any time they ever really need to talk to him, all they have to do is knock, and that closed door will be open wide."

For Kitte Tumell's free leaflet *Cues for Dates*, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request, care of this newspaper. This includes pointers on how to handle date problems in ways that can make your New Year happier.

Letters to Kitte

Old Flame Won't Go Out

Dear Kitte: I'm upset about a boy I'll call him. Everyone tells me that he thinks a lot of me. But he just broke up with a girl I'll call Sue. He says he doesn't like her now but I know he does. Every time Sue or her best friend gets near him I might as well not be there. What should I do? — *In Love*.

Dear In Love: Believe what everyone tells you — that he likes you. But accept the fact that apparently he likes Sue and may show interest in other girls too. Don't give him your exclusive attention or "be around" just because he's there.

Dear Kitte: I recently bought myself a fall. It is made of synthetic material. Can I wash it? Is there anywhere I can get a book on the care and styling of falls? Please help me. *Sandra*.

Dear Sandra: A fall made

of synthetic material is harder to care for than real hair, my favorite barber, Eleanor, tells me. She suggests:

Ask at your beauty shop or check where you purchased it or write to the manufacturer. Instructions for care should be given with purchase or seller or manufacturer.

Dear Kitte: Could you please give me the address for David McCallum, Noel Harrison, and Robert Vaughn? I would like to write to them.

Dear P. M.: Send your letters care of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, 1551 N. La Brea, Hollywood, California.

Confidential to Unhappy: If he's really interested in you he'll be content to see you at your house for a while. This will give your parents time to get acquainted and see whatever you admire in him aside from his long hair. Don't sneak-date or you'll feel more uneasy.

Dear Kitte: My parents own a tourist court, and I work to help them out. One night a man asked for a room and called for ice-water which I brought. He asked me to stay and talk, which I did.

Provincial Treasurer D. G. Stewart says that while Saskatchewan has financial problems, "they pale in significance in comparison with some other provinces."

He spoke in Regina on the semi-annual white paper on the state of Saskatchewan's economy. Some other provinces had been "loose" in their financing, he said.

Ontario has had many tax increases in recent years. Mr. Stewart said, "Alberta has lived like there's no tomorrow."

Despite setbacks dealt to agriculture by adverse weather, 1968 was an "outstanding year" in many respects for Saskatchewan. The Liberal government expected to balance its budget again in 1968-69.

The next night he asked to kiss me goodnight, which he did. The third day, he kissed me several times when I brought water. Then he checked out and away he went. He said he would write to me. I wonder. Should I have let him kiss me? Should I go on caring for him? (He is 20, and I'm 15.) Do you think I did right? — *Jane*.

Answer: No, and that goes for all three questions! You were out of line to stay and talk — much less kiss him! Your response to all such personal attentions should be as ice-cold as the water!

Whenever you're on delivery duty, leave the door open, depart promptly. Next time you encounter a kiss-minded stranger, YOU "check out" fast! Ask parents to take over

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By HOWARD SCHENKEN and RICHARD L. FREY

BRIDGE QUIZ
When the opening bidder rebids the same
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showing a minimum or near-minimum. Moreover, he is showing a
one-suited hand.

The responder should not now continue bidding unless he holds almost the equivalent of an opening bid himself, or else a definite fit in the opener's suit. Even then, the responder should proceed with caution, giving preference to a raise of
opener's suit if possible.

In each of the following hands, your partner has opened and has rebid the same suit. What is your call?

ANSWERS TO
BRIDGE QUIZ

1. Three hearts. The point to note here is that since North has bypassed all other possible rebids, his heart suit is likely to be especially long. South's doubleton holding, combined with three quick tricks and a possible ruffing value in clubs, should therefore provide adequate support.

2. Pass. Despite the spade singleton, responder can be reasonably hopeful that opener may make a contract of two spades. The same would not be true of any contract that might be reached if South made a further bid at this point.

3. Three notrump. We give this bid a slight preference over the alternative bid of two notrump. Opener is likely to hold a diamond six-bagger which, when bolstered by South's king, will doubtless be solid. On the bidding it is likely that West will lead a black suit, so the jump to three notrump is a reasonable speculation.

4. Three diamonds. The raise of opener's minor suit is much superior to a rebid of the spade suit. (a) It is both more encouraging and safer than a bid of two spades. (b) Over three diamonds, the opener still has the chance to show delayed support for spades.

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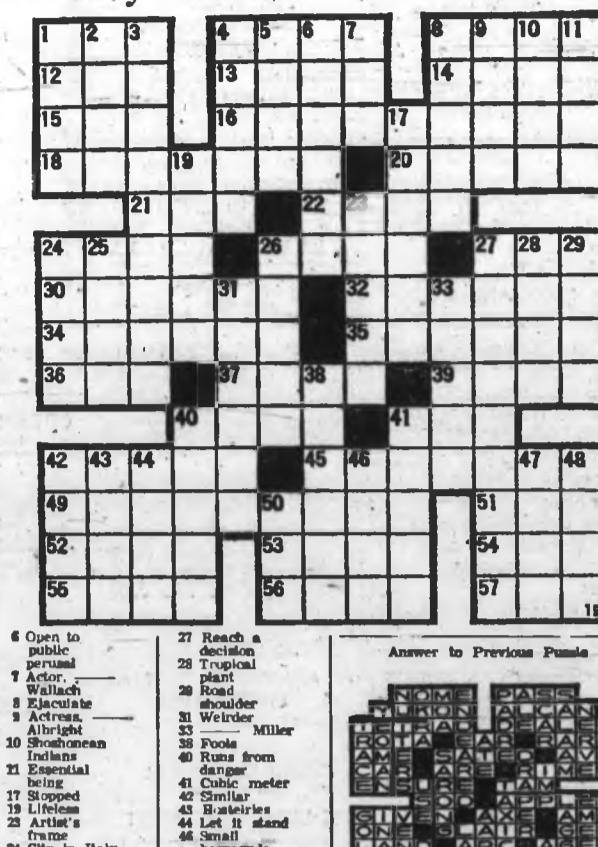
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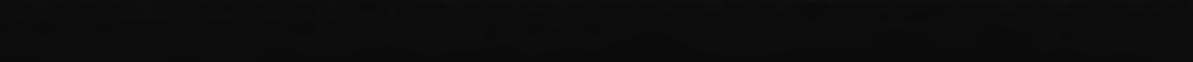
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39 Die Near London

Fog Claims

Afghan Jet

GATWICK, England (AP) — An Ariana Afghan Airways Boeing 727 jetliner crashed in dense fog south of London early Sunday, killing 39 persons aboard and possibly some residents of a nearby farm house.

Latest reports said the aircraft, on a weekly flight from Kabul to Gatwick Airport, was carrying 45 passengers and nine crew members. Reports from the scene said 15 were pulled out of the wreckage alive.

The plane was on its final approach to the airport when it slammed into a ploughed field, 1½ miles from the airport runway, and burst into flames, officials said.

The fuselage tore through

trees and hedgerows, demolishing a house where a family of four were believed to be sleeping. One survivor was pulled from the rubble of the building, a small child.

Twenty five ambulances were rushed to the scene and more than 50 firemen fought the blaze. Police threw a cordon around the area blocking off roads and country lanes.

A police spokesman said the majority of passengers on board the aircraft were believed to be Pakistanis. The plane's last stop before the crash was Frankfurt, Germany.

Some survivors were taken to Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead, which specializes in burns.

Gatwick Airport, 27 miles south of London and the city's second airport, had been closed since Saturday evening because of fog. Visibility was said to be about 100 yards.



Raleigh? Not Really

CHIVALRY still exists, especially for pretty girl in miniskirt. John Minnis, 900 Dunn, started out Saturday afternoon like Sir Walter Raleigh to help 17-year-old Megan Lang across slush-filled Victoria street, but changed his mind before trek was over and packed lady to safety western style. — (Jim Ryan)

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Alberni Steelhead Derby

Fishing Buffs Brave Snow

PORT ALBERNI — It takes more than near zero temperatures and two feet of fresh snow to keep really enthusiastic fishermen from fishing.

At the annual Steelhead Derby, held Sunday by the Alberni Valley Sportsmen's Association in 28 fish, about 18

same ratio of fish and fishermen as last year.

Only about 25 per cent of those who purchased entry forms turned out to fish on one of the valley's chilliest days.

Biggest steelhead was weighed in by Bruce Brown of Port Alberni — a 14 pound 1/2 ounce beauty. First aggregate went to local fishing enthusiast Len Gibson, who weighed two fish for a total of 24 pounds, one ounce.

Mr. Gibson also took the senior men's trophy for biggest fish weighed in by a member of the Sportsmen's Association with a fish weighing 13 pounds 15 ounces.

Mike McKamey took the junior boys trophy for his 5 pound, 15 ounce fish, and also won a rod and reel.

Prize for the smallest fish went to Gordon Herbertson for a fish many fishermen would be

proud of, a steelhead weighing 4 pounds, 5 1/4 ounces.

Prizes were also given for second and third largest fish and to five hidden weight winners.

No women or girls entered this year's chilly competition.

But one woman who had planned to compete had the last word: "In weather like this, it makes you wonder if steelhead mean the fish or the fishermen."

Calgary

Island Man Jailed

CALGARY (CP) — George E. O'Connor, 25, of Nanaimo, and David J. Kuntz, 18, of Calgary were sentenced to six months when they pleaded guilty in magistrate's court Friday to a joint charge of assault causing bodily harm.

The charge was laid after the two men were involved in a fight with another man at a restaurant shortly after closing time.

O'Connor was also sentenced to three months, to be served concurrently, for a common assault. Court was told he struck a waitress when she attempted to call police.

Ex-Teacher Dies In Hospital

DUNCAN — A pioneer resident of Duncan, Mrs. Norah Nicolson died recently at Cowichan District Hospital at the age of 64.

She was born in Duncan where she was educated and attended normal school in Victoria. She taught at Crofton, Chemainus, Caycuse and Duncan. She retired because of ill-health.

Mrs. Nicolson was a member of St. John's Anglican Church women's auxiliary, Sanctuary Guild, the Order of the Eastern Star and B.C. Teachers' Federation.

Funeral services were held Friday at St. John's, followed by cremation.

Funeral Monday

DUNCAN — Funeral service will be held at Hirst Funeral Chapel Monday for Muriel Georgina Ford who died Wednesday in Chemainus General Hospital after a long illness. The service will be followed by cremation.

Mrs. Ford was born in Victoria in 1908 where she was educated. She moved to Chemainus in 1936, three years after her marriage.

Agricultural Society Will Meet

DUNCAN — Agriculture Minister Cyril Sheldoff will speak at Cowichan Agricultural Society's annual meeting Jan. 25 at Tzouhalem Hotel.

The meeting will start at 11 a.m. with committee reports. The group will elect six directors this year, said president Henry Westwick. Ending their terms of office are directors T. Y. Bazett, George Braithwaite, Gordon Greer, Norman Quise and John van Eyk. A sixth vacancy has occurred following the resignation of Donald Morton.

Dead Swan Costs \$50

NANAIMO — Donald Fred McCallum, 37, of Departure Bay, was fined \$50 when he pleaded guilty to possessing a dead swan. He was charged under the Migratory Bird Act.

He told the court he thought the bird was a goose and shot it Dec. 13 at Quennell Lake, Cedar.

\$700 Stolen

NANAIMO — Nanaimo RCMP said Friday that safecrackers drank several bottles of beer Thursday night when they broke into Pacific Brewers' warehouse, blew open a strong box and took about \$700.

Illumination Prizes Won

DUNCAN — Winners in the recent Christmas lighting contest, sponsored by Duncan Jaycees, will receive their prizes at a Jaycee dinner meeting Wednesday at the Commercial Hotel.

Contest chairman Brian Lawrence said that 12 residents and six businesses took part.

Winners include: Howard Vaux, Georgina Clark, A. E. Irvine, best flood-lit scene; Mr. Vaux, Robert Hastings, Mr. Irvine, best unlimited lights; R. M. McEwan, Mrs. A. K. Scott, Mrs. G. C. Walkley, best decorated doorway; Mrs. Scott Laurie Lamble, Georgina Clark, best decorated window. Over-all winner was Mr. Vaux.

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Ceremony Prepared For Swearing-In

DUNCAN — Last preparations are being made for Duncan's annual statutory meeting Monday night when many special guests will witness the swearing-in of elected and appointed civic officials.

The list of those to be sworn in includes: re-elected aldermen Jim Saunders, Martin Lukatits, newly-elected Ald.

Bob Mason; appointed parks

Charles Rowley and Gary Griffith; appointed city advisory planning commissioners Alan Grant and Cliff Pascoe; re-elected school trustees Bruce Devitt, unorganized area; Jack Elford, North Cowichan, Ernest Godard, city of Duncan and newly-elected trustees John Stewart, unorganized area, and Margaret Whittaker, North Cowichan.

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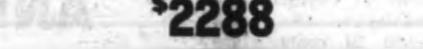


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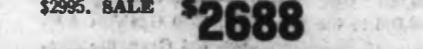


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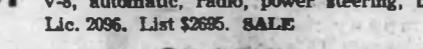


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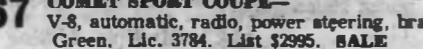


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Allen, Reeves Meet To Discuss Rehiring

LOS ANGELES (LAT) — George Allen met Saturday afternoon with Rams owner Dan Reeves to discuss terms relative to the rehiring of the coach, but no decision was reached.

Reeves, refusing to reveal the nature of his talks with Allen, said it will be "several days before any decision is announced."

Allen had previously conferred with Reeves on New Year's Day and the coach was expected to arrive at a decision Monday in regards to his future plans.

The surprise Saturday session was ordered by Reeves after Allen's wife, Betty, had told the Los Angeles Times Friday that her husband wanted more security as a condition to his returning to the club. She said that her husband was weighing other coaching offers — from Buffalo and an unselected NFL club.

Reeves, it was learned, wanted to clear the air immediately. Reeves and Allen had agreed to say nothing but "no comment" until the matter was resolved.

Allen was fired by Reeves Dec. 28 and

since that time there has been a public clamor for his reinstatement.

It was previously believed that Allen would want his present contract extended, hedging against a similar action by Reeves in the future. He had two years remaining on a five-year pact estimated at \$40,000 annually when he was fired.

Allen has changed his mind. He would like to return to the Rams under the terms of his present contract but wants a damage clause inserted which would protect him in case he was fired again.

In such an arrangement, if agreed to by Reeves, Allen would receive a sizeable indemnity if the Rams dismiss him for a second time.

Friends of Allen say that he wants to coach the Rams but only if this condition is met. Present at Saturday's meeting, in addition to Allen and Reeves, were Bob Reynolds, president of the California Angels and a minority Rams stockholder, and Dr. James Racinski, the team physician.



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Three makes 350

Bowling Roundup

Top Qualifiers Lose Out

Little at Stake But Pride, Cash

MIAMI (AP) — The disappointed Dallas Cowboys and the surprising Minnesota Vikings battle for the National Football League's consolation prize today before an expected crowd of 50,000 fans.

It's the NFL playoff chanc-

Television coverage of today's NFL Playoff Bowl game between Dallas Cowboys and Minnesota Vikings starts at 10 a.m. on channels 7 and 12.

ship, a game between the second-place teams of the Eastern and Western Conferences. Most the receipts from the game go into the players' pension fund.

There isn't too much at stake except the pride of a good performance for some of pro football's finest. Each member of the winning team earns \$1,200 and each loser \$500. An estimated \$175,000 is put into the pension fund.

TOP OFFENSE

The game shapes up as a test of Dallas' great offence against Minnesota's solid defence. Cowboys, directed by quarterback Don Meredith, were the top offensive team in the league.

Meredith completed 171 of 309 passes for 2,500 yards and 21 touchdowns for the Cowboys' unsuccessful bid to gain the NFL title.

Dallas coach Tom Landry says he's eager to see how Meredith rebounds from one of the quarterback's biggest football disappointments — the 31-20

loss to Cleveland in the eastern championship game.

Bud Grant's Vikings appear to be in better psychological frame of mind. Vikings weren't supposed to be here according to pre-season predictions. They were selected to finish among the also-rans in the Central division.

Minnesota, however, posted an 8-6 record, won its division title and moved forward as one of the coming teams in the NFL.

Vikings lost a hard fought 24-14 game to Baltimore for the Western Conference title. This is Minnesota's first post-season competition.

Southern Cal Ranked No. 4

WACO, Tex. (AP) — Underneath Ohio State was the unanimous selection Saturday of the Football Writers Association of America as the No. 1 college football team in the U.S. for 1968.

Buckeyes, conquerors of Southern California in the Rose Bowl, will receive the association's Grantland Rice Trophy which annually is presented to the national champion.

Unbeaten Penn State, a last-game winner over Kansas in the Orange Bowl, finished a strong second in the voting followed by Cotton Bowl champion Texas and Southern Cal.

North Scores Win

In Bowl Inaugural

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Left-handed Bobby Douglass threw a 51-yard touchdown pass and scored once himself on a two-yard run Saturday as the North beat the South, 21-15, in the inaugural American Bowl all-star college football game.

The North, which scored a third touchdown on a 10-yard

pass thrown by Greg Cook, had a 21-0 lead early in the fourth quarter. The southern club, held back for three quarters by five interceptions and three lost fumbles, struck late for touchdowns on a 24-yard pass from Ed Hargett to Dick Lyons and a 13-yard run by Eugene "Mercy" Morris.

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Lee and Cam York teamed up to win the senior division.

Costs, estimated at from \$4,000,000 to \$6,000,000, will be

paid by the government. The NCAA will furnish facilities and personnel. The programs will last at least four weeks.

NCAA president Marcus Plant of Michigan explained the program at a news conference preceding Monday's official opening of the group's annual meeting.

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Ex-Alderman Reviews Government:



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Deep Snow Delays Some Work

PORT ALBERNI — Winter's great white paralysis of the woodlands may be nearing an end.

Latest reports indicate that some of the forest operations halted late last month by heavy snow and ice are expected to stagger back into action by Monday.

In some areas, particularly around Port Alberni, the unusually deep snow in the bush is expected to hold lumbering pretty much to a standstill a little longer. In that area the thaw has not really set in.

Permits Decrease

NORTH COWICHAN — Building permits issued from North Cowichan municipal hall during the past 12 months decreased to \$2,801,606 from \$3,300,479 during 1967. In December, the total was \$342,000, as against \$286,100 during the same period in 1967.

Log Haulers Urged to Start Campaign

Gaglardi Blasts Industry Controls



Benjostorff

NANAIMO — P. A. Gaglardi, minister without portfolio, spoke out against government and monopoly controls when he attended a luncheon in Nanaimo Saturday during a Western Log Haulers' Association convention.

"It still is a man's world. It still is an individual's world," Mr. Gaglardi told about 90 members in the Tally Ho.

He suggested truckers should adopt a three-fold attack on present conditions to ensure their economic life.

RENTAL PLAN

Mr. Gaglardi felt they should press for co-operation from machine manufacturers for a legislation enabling small rental plan instead of purchasing equipment, seek government

for more money from logging companies for handling logs.

He said the rentals should be instituted, "because these machines are becoming more costly every year. The machine companies are the ones making the money — they should rent."

Few smaller independent operators could afford up to \$150,000 for one unit, added Mr. Gaglardi.

FOREST CONTROL

He said he was against the trend for monopoly companies holding complete control of the forest industry. However, he felt that they were necessary because they had manufacturing and marketing advantages no smaller operators could match.

"You're the people we need," he told the members.

Their existence was, "against a whole concept that's working against you toward a monopoly."

Mr. Gaglardi felt that trends toward complete utilization of all timber, including limbs and needles, as in other countries, would probably be instituted in Canada. That could adversely affect independent men, unless they found ways of blending in with the trend.

PROFIT OPERATION

He said independent operators, because they were closer to actual operations than larger companies, could operate at a profit instead of losing up to \$12,000 annually as some companies were doing.

He has suggested to some larger companies that they contract these operations to the smaller businessmen.

Referring to government control, Mr. Gaglardi said: "You give the government an inch and they'll take a mile."

He said the trend toward asking the government to provide things the people could provide for themselves inexorably lead to socialism.

TAKEOVERS RAFFLED

"Some day the same thing happens as it did in England . . . and some day we have a bankrupt nation," he said.

He criticized governments taking over independent enterprises and "ruining flourishing businesses by making them government-controlled, bureaucratic-run financial losses."

Howard Benjostorff of Campbell River was reelected president.

"Telling 180,000 service per-

sonnel their future is uncertain,"

he said.

Winged-Tire Trophy Given by Truckers

NANAIMO — A trophy, in the form of a golden-colored tire with wings, was presented to F. A. Gaglardi, minister without portfolio, during Saturday's session of the annual meeting of the Western Independent Log Haulers' Association.

The inscription read: "In appreciation. Western Independent Log Haulers' Association. Winged wheels for a high flyer."

Nanaimo School Board

Voters Will Elect New Representative

NANAIMO — A meeting of Cedar rural electors will be held at North Cedar school Jan. 18 at 8 p.m. to elect a rural school board representative.

The meeting will be held in conjunction with Cedar Parent-Teacher Association. The representative is for North Cedar.

Nanaimo school trustees plan to meet the visiting Japanese high school wrestling team which will be in the Nanaimo district on Jan. 15. The team, to J. O. Swan, school principal, Other officers elected were:

TIME FOR chat is found by P. A. Gaglardi, minister without portfolio, and members of Western Independent Log Haulers' Association. From left are Norman Mackenzie, Cumber-

land; Mr. Gaglardi; Gerald Patterson, Mill Bay, past president; and Tom Haworth, Ladysmith, newly-elected vice-president. — (Agnes Flett)

Nanaimo Riding

Verbrugge Continues Despite Flu Attack

NANAIMO — Dr. Magnus Verbrugge, Conservative candidate in the Feb. 10 Nanaimo-Cowichan-the Islands constituency, has been ordered to bed because of Hong Kong flu, but he is still conducting his campaign.

He has had the flu for about five days.

Dr. Verbrugge said Saturday that he fully agreed with an editorial in the Colonist Friday.

"Telling 180,000 service per-

sonnel their future is uncertain," he said.

Trudeau has finally admitted that many Canadians have known a long time — That the Liberal armed forces unification program was a morale killer."

He said he agreed that the Liberals must take full blame and must find ways to repair the damage.

"Here is an example of how a

government operates when it has a majority of seats and no longer cares for the advice of experts."

"Selling another Liberal backbencher-yes-man to Ottawa in the Feb. 10 by-election is something this riding can well avoid."

Contesting the vacancy for the Liberals will be former magistrate Eric Winch. National leader T. C. Douglas has been nominated for the NDP.



Big Days Ahead for Binna

Six-week-old Binna may be a bundle of fun now, but when she is fully-grown St. Bernard, she will weigh between 165-175 pounds. When pup joined Don Graham's family at 911 Lavender Avenue, Victoria, just

before Christmas, she weighed about 12 pounds. Binna, her name comes from Norwegian word for female bear, was bought from Mrs. Poolman of Cobble Hill. — (Don Graham)

Johnson Family

'We Did All Right' But Times Harder

COURTENAY — Ever since will be performed, didn't sell his truck, his boat and many other things, too."

She said Mrs. Johnson would probably move from the motel where she is staying in Houston to something less expensive.

"She's been given the telephone number of a club called Mended Hearts — an organization that helps heart surgery patients and their families," Mrs. Cumming said.

In a telephone interview Saturday with the Colonist, Max Farrar, founder of the Houston branch of the club, explained the organization was purely a service club, and did not offer financial help.

PATIENTS VISITED

"But, we visit heart patients in hospital, try to advise them if they have problems and do what we can to help solve problems relatives staying in Houston may have."

He said the club was made up of people who had successfully undergone heart surgery of one kind or another, including transplants.

Fog Forces Comox Landing

COMOX — Thick fog at Vancouver forced a Pacific Western Airlines Boeing 707 returning Victoria passengers from a trip to Honolulu to land at Comox Air Force Base Saturday afternoon.

The 153 passengers aboard the plane were taken in four buses to Victoria's Patricia Bay airport for customs and immigration inspection.

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The flight was chartered for the Greater Victoria Teachers' Association by Totem Travel Service Ltd. Victoria.

All the passengers were from Victoria, said William Ferguson, travel agency representative.

Mr. Ferguson said he had heard that two CP air planes, one from Mexico and another from Honolulu had also been forced to land at Comox because of weather conditions in Vancouver.

A spokesman at Comox said the base is often used by commercial planes as an alternate landing field.

Teachers' Workshop

U.S. Psychiatrist To Visit Nanaimo

NANAIMO — Dr. William Glasser, one of the top psychiatrists in the U.S., will be keynote speaker at a meeting of district teachers and guests at Nanaimo secondary school auditorium Jan. 10 at 8 p.m.

About 500 teachers will join Dr. Glasser at an informal dinner in the school gymnasium before his talk.

This year the dinner schedule has been altered to allow the public to hear Dr. Glasser. In previous years, the dinner was held during the middle of the workshop's day.

The two-day meeting is jointly sponsored by Nanaimo District Teachers' Association and Nanaimo board of trustees.

On Jan. 11, Dr. Glasser will demonstrate his techniques with a class of boys and girls from grades six and 11.

The workshop is part of An Evening With . . . series, arranged by the association's professional development committee.

Dr. Glasser is a recognized expert on the treatment of delinquent behaviour in juveniles, and noted for his approach to the problems of young people in relation to mental health, said a spokesman.

Dr. Glasser has acted as a consultant to many school systems in California and the Ventura school for girls of California Youth Authority and Los Angeles Orthopaedic Hospital, he said.

"The NDTA has changed the program format this year because it is believed that Dr. Glasser's visit will be a unique opportunity to gain an understanding of new approach to the problems of growing children."



The Islander

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Victoria artist Brian Travers-Smith paints scenes in Victoria's Inner Harbor.

—William E. John photo.

By LOIS LIGHT

The large majority of British Columbia's two million inhabitants live near the southern edge of the province, within an hour's drive of the U.S. border. The mountains, lakes and forests that comprise the rest of the provincial acres have helped make tourism one of the province's main industries, but paradoxically have also prevented its further development.

Then Rumble Beach, a new development of Port Alice, off Quatsino Sound at the northern part of the Island, came into being, and the backwoods were on their way to being beaten.

Rumble Beach is a new breed of town, conceived by Rayonier Canada (B.C.) Ltd. and the municipal affairs department of the provincial government, and its unique spawning in 1965 resulted in its nickname of Instant Town. It was never a baby. It sprang full grown from the wooded slopes of Neuroutsos Inlet, 25 miles from the open Pacific, a modern frontier town, with black-topped curbed roads; with water, sewer, gas, power and telephone lines all underground; with a smart shopping centre, a new well equipped school and houses as well-appointed with work-saving amenities as their big-city counterparts.

Rumble Beach was the first in a series of towns designed and destined to provide the amenities of living far from the centres of population and culture. Formerly, when a resource-oriented company began operations, the necessary living area for employees became a company town, which neither company nor employees much liked.

Companies resented the time spent in responding to calls for everything from a leaky washer to a new roof, and many of the residents found the lack of challenge of competition and the company-pervasion of everything and everybody not entirely to their liking.

Port Alice had been such a town, since 1917, and it huddled, as close as was possible, around the pulp mill whose workers it had been established to accommodate. For more than 50 years it had a sheltered existence, holding its breath only a couple of times when mill operations were suspended. The wastes that have continually slid into the sea, and regularly belched from the smoking chimneys have not been deadly, and their unpleasantness has been one of the prices the company town residents have had to pay in exchange for their comparatively inexpensive living and their sense of insulated security.

When times were less than rosy, everybody helped each other to survive, and according to one of the old-time residents: "the town was as close to being a socialist state as possible — for example, our hospital services cost us a dollar a month." A feeling of circumscribed security built up among the residents in the little houses on the tree-lined streets that formed behind the mill like ripples on a pond.

"There was a bit of a camp atmosphere," one wife said, "but personally, I felt it was a happy town."

But Port Alice has aged. Its economy has been a stationery one.

"The large bachelor work force earn good wages, but they go 'out' to spend them," said Lorne Smith, assistant superintendent of the mill which is now owned by Rayonier. One reason for the new townsite was to stabilize the economy by making the town attractive enough to entice young bachelors to establish families there.

It was built four scenic miles from the mill, between Port Alice and Jeune Landing, the logging division headquarters.

Old-time residents had understandably mixed reactions. True, the new townsite would have underground wiring, a shopping centre, lovely homes. They could now own their own home, for the first time for many. The air would be sweeter. And the location was beautiful.

But beauty is in the eye of the beholder and for many, Port Alice had been home for a long

FRONTIER TOWNS

WITH INSTANT AMENITIES

long time. It was hard to be objective about the move, even though few denied that it was progress, and inevitable, for although the present temporary slump in the pulp market precludes mill expansion at the moment, this will change and there is no place for the much-talked-of expansion to go except up into the town. And there comes a time when an aging town, if not rejuvenated, gets to the point of no return.

"I just hated to voice the thought," said Angela Morris, wife of the town's doctor, "but Port Alice has seemed like a person with a terminal illness — and it's sad." It was even sadder when the first houses were given a fiery euthanasia. "I had my first date in that house," one woman said a little wistfully, speaking of a house that was still smoldering.

It's been a rather confusing, topsy turvy kind of life for most residents since the new town's inception in 1965. The stores all eventually moved to Rumble Beach. One restaurant stayed at Port Alice, as did the bowling alley, the theatre and the 15-bed hospital, which is run by the mill. The townsite office stayed, too, but the municipal hall is in Rumble, so the townsite manager, Fred Battison, goes back and forth to the two sites like a yo-yo, since he is also hospital administrator, an alderman and in charge of sale of homes in the new town.

John Van der Elst, the mayor and also mechanic for Rayonier's maintenance department, is as peripatetic as Mr. Battison, since a mechanic is not only hallowed but harried in these repairmen-starved places. "My men and I used to do a lot of home repairing. We don't have time now, so we're acquiring a lot of good do-it-yourselfers."

To further compound things, one school stayed in Port Alice, one is in Rumble Beach. Children are bused back and forth. High school students attend a fine new school at Port McNeill, another instant municipality, about 40 miles east, but must board there during the week because the connecting road is a restricted logging one.

Wolfgang Hessel, the principal of the Port Alice school is proud of the varied curriculum in his school, in spite of its small size, (less than 200 pupils), and Ken Gaylor, the other principal, says: "We're education conscious in this town," which seems to be an occupational virtue common to all these instant communities.

Mr. Gaylor's wife, Enid, teaches and also coaches some drama experiments that would have been exciting for any sized town.

And last winter Betty Pryor, an import from England, taught night school art and prodded so many hitherto untried but talented neophytes that an art show to raise community funds netted \$700 from the sale of paintings.

"She just made us paint," laughed Mrs. Battison, who sent her daughter to the sale to buy back a small painting of her own for the bedroom, but which went so high she couldn't afford it!

These activities are important. "We've simply got to have more recreational facilities," says Mayor Van der Elst, "or we may destroy what we've set out to do."

The concept of the Instant Town was sparked by Municipal Affairs Minister Dan Campbell, and his official sponsorship by the government has given them an air of permanence and respectability. This, combined with the policy of the companies, to service the land, build more-than-adequate houses for their employees (which it sells to them at cost), encourage the establishment of a good hotel and shop, and co-operate in bringing recreational, educational and medical facilities, has helped fill the towns with lively, enterprising young families delighted with the chance to pioneer without going entirely "native."

Too, this kind of town planning ensures the broadest possible economic base, a site removed

from pollution, and protection from the possibility of an eventual ghost town.

Gold River is another Island instant community, and it was set, like a polished stone, in the forested valley of Gold River Canyon, at the junction of the Gold and Heber Rivers, its beautiful hills and mountains providing a scenic, encircling backdrop which also, in the first year or so, effectively kept the residents virtual prisoners. Then the 50-mile road to Campbell River was completed (the only route crossing the Island from east to west north of the Alberni) and Gold Riverites were "liberated."

The town claims the distinctions of being the only all-electric town in Canada, and of having the "best steelhead fishing in the world." It's one of only half a dozen towns in B.C. with complete secondary treatment of its sewage, an example of far-sighted planning that has earned high praise from the federal department of fisheries.

Besides Port McNeill, which was already established as the logging division of Rayonier before it was given the new legislation which declared it a municipality, three other towns have joined the new municipal family.

Fraser Lake, in central B.C. where Endako Mines Ltd. (N.P.L.) has started ore production; Hudson's Hope, site of B.C. Hydro's mammoth Peace River dam and power project; and Mackenzie, 125 miles north of Prince George, where B.C. Forest Products' subsidiary Alexander Forest Industries Ltd. has installed a sawmill.

Although all the towns offer the tourist splendid vacationing, due to their natural setting, their remoteness from the "madding crowd," and the amenities it can offer, Hudson's Hope is the one town whose 'parent' is the tourist attraction itself. The W. A. C. Bennett Dam, one of the largest earth-filled dams in Canada and newly christened this year, had well over 200,000 visitors last summer, and with its completion can expect more each year.

The town has several striking differences to the others: — it has a past richly reeking with history, from the dinosaur tracks uncovered by workmen during construction of the dam, to the days when Mackenzie and Fraser camped there. It is still home to some of the early pioneers who came in their youth, liked it and stayed. Unlike Port Alice, the little old town had not deteriorated but rather stood still, so the impetus for change has not been strong among the older residents. Also unlike Port Alice, an attempt was made to meld the new with the old instead of building a new town in a different location and the fluctuating population since the dam began has imbued its future with uncertainty.

At the height of industrial activity about 5,000 men were on the labor force. Thanks to modern technology, perhaps 40 will be needed on a permanent basis! This fluctuation was resolved partly by trailer housing, and by a revolutionary elementary school.

Designed by Rhone and Iredale of Vancouver, it has whole wings which can be removed and sold to other schools, when the population drops, and like the other Instant Town schools, epitomizes the best of progressive education in design and curriculum to such an extent that it has been able to attract a staff of high scholastic quality.

Anachronisms are many in these towns. Residents have the latest in labor-saving machines and usually no one around who can service them. Mackenzie may have no doctor, but its people are served finger bowls after hotel dining. The towns are miles from any other place, yet so many people brought so many dogs that they (the dogs!) must be leashed and a part-time dog catcher is a necessity.

TV is chancey, newspapers are non-existent

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The Swaffields Discover Victoria

By VIVIENNE CHADWICK

Three talented people, Dr. W. Robert Swaffield, physician and keen fisherman, his artist wife Myrtle, and their daughter Debbie, pianist, newcomers to this city since last July and now resident at 1520 Belcher Road in Oak Bay, wish they had found their way here earlier.

They come from Alberta, Saskatchewan, and points east. The doctor's family had been Ontario based, his father being a cabinet maker, one of whose specialties was the construction of organ frame works for a factory in Clinton.

"Wherever we went," remarked the doctor, "I remember that my father always had to hunt up the church organs, to see if they were his!"

They came west long years ago, to homestead north of Edmonton. There were five children, with Robert the youngest by a wide margin. In fact, he said, he was a sort of afterthought, and one of his very earliest memories is that of the wedding of an older sister when he himself was still a toddler.

Later the family moved to Saskatoon, and here Robert, who apparently had always known what his career was to be, took his pre-medical courses and obtained his B.A. He proceeded to McGill, graduated, and except for a brief

couple of years in England, where he studied to specialize in diseases of women, he has practised medicine all his life, until his retirement last year, in Saskatchewan.

There were good times and bad. He was in the little town of Smeaton for some years, and later on at Prince Albert. He recalls vividly what he termed "the dirty thirties," the depression years, and he spoke of the sad refugees from the dust bowl areas who, wiped out by that dreadful period of drought and erosion, were landed penniless in his community.

Like many another professional man during that money-scarce era, the doctor's services were paid for in whatever form of barter was available, one of which was enough lumber to build him and his wife their home!

The winters must have been grim indeed.

"Sometimes," said Mrs. Swaffield, "Robert had to make his calls by way of the railway jigger!"



MYRTLE and ROBERT SWAFFIELD
... with painting of Sooke River.

This, it seems, is the name by which the hand-car is known locally. On nights when the temperature dropped the bottom out of the mercury, this form of travel must have been a form of torture on which one shudders even to speculate.

"Oh, well, that wasn't too often," commented the doctor easily. "Anyway, the church built us a little 10-bed hospital, and after that the

serious cases went directly there, instead of sending out emergency calls!"

Mrs. Swaffield, born Myrtle Lewis, was one of nine children whose father, a contractor, had tried homesteading a half-section near Moose Jaw. But it was dreadful country, she said, nothing but sand — and nothing would grow. So the

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B.C. FOREST SERVICE LIBRARY HAS ALL THE ANSWERS

By RAY WORMALD

What size is a cord of wood?

What's the best type of B.C. wood for barbecue charcoal?

What's an ickter pooch?

Answers to these questions—and to thousands of others of both a general and highly technical nature—are available in the British Columbia Forest Service Library. It's one of the most specialized facilities of its kind in the province.

The library came into existence in 1932 when about 990 text and reference books, bulletins and pamphlets — acquired over the years by forest branch offices — were consolidated into a small library. It was located originally in a confined space in the basement complex of the legislative buildings.

Today the library is a unit of the Forest Service's Information and Education Division and in its still relatively small space there are some 17,000 books, serials, annual reports, pamphlets and other forestry publications.

Titles range all the way from "Trees" to "Phytocoenoses on the Dry Sub-Zone of the Interior Western Hemlock Zone of British Columbia." Because it is principally a research

library, the great majority of its volumes and other material are of a technical nature.

There are, however, a number of "lighter" presentations. Among them is a fascinating book entitled Woods Words.

It is the work of Dean Walter F. McCulloch of the Oregon State College School of Forestry, who in 1919 started his interesting project. It involved collecting, sifting, sorting and recording literally thousands of words and expressions used in the language of loggers throughout the entire Pacific Northwest.

The book was published in 1958, and embraces a host of woodsman's terms and phrases which now, because of time and new logging techniques, have been lost in the mists of history. New expressions, of course, have taken their place . . . but these somehow seem to lack the force and punchy flavor of earlier versions.

To the logger, few things in life are more important than his meals. In days of long ago the camp cook was in for a bad time if he produced "fish eyes" — which, translated, meant poorly cooked tapioca. And in the same era, some bunkhouses were fancy enough to include "gobboons" among their rough furnishings. They were spittoons. Loggers of those bygone days kept reasonably comfortable in their "prohibition shoes" — boots well oiled and dry inside.

In addition to its normal build-up of volumes, the library also subscribes to 159 periodicals. Here one finds an international flavor, with such material coming from Britain, Russia, Japan, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Switzerland, Germany, Australia, Israel, and other distant lands.

Responsible for the administration and operation of this concentration of forestry material is Miss Enid Lemon, who has been attached to the unit for 11 years, and librarian since 1962. With her is Mrs. Stella Smith, who joined the Forest Service six years ago.

"The library is designed primarily to meet the needs of all Forest Service personnel," Miss Lemon said, "as well as industry and consulting foresters."

Every effort is made to meet individual needs, and to keep abreast of developments in forestry literature.

The library's 70,000 subject file cards are based on the Oxford System of Decimal Classification for Forestry, and have world-wide coverage. Primary classifications include forest biology, silviculture, work studies, protection, management, products marketing and forest measurement.

Among its numerous "outside" links there is a continuing co-operation with libraries and universities throughout Canada and the United States. Inter-library loans account for a great deal of two-way traffic in books and other material.

Resources of the B.C. Forest Service library can provide, or obtain, answers and information for practically any query relating to the forest industry anywhere in the world. Those in charge are justifiably proud of their vast collection, and the service they can be to any interested person or organization.

And just in case you were wondering about the questions which head this article: A cord of wood comprises wood cut into four-foot lengths, and packed in a space measuring four feet in height, four feet in width, and eight feet long. The best type of British Columbia wood for barbecue charcoal? Try alder.

And, sorry about this, pet lovers, but an "ickter pooch" is what loggers used to call the pump which keeps cylinders oiled in a steam engine.

By T. W. PATERSON

In June of 1889, *The Daily Colonist* reported the 240-ton tug *Lorne* ready for launching at Laing's shipyard, awaiting only "the order of the owners and favorable tide."

"All outside work on the hull has been completed, and it has been sheathed with 1,337 sheets of the best copper, of 36, 34 and 32-ounce sizes. The hull of the new boat has been painted a splendid black, relieved with carving at the bow and mouldings and ornaments in rich gilding. The name 'Lorne' is also carved and gilded at the bow and stern."

"Yesterday the 12-foot propelling screw, manufactured at the Albion Iron Works, was placed in position. Detachable blades, a modern and very useful invention, have been placed on the shaft of the screw. The housework, or rather the frame of the housework, is now being constructed under the personal supervision of E. C. Havener, the builder of the tug. The new boat, it is claimed, will make 15 knots an hour. Her lines are very fine, and reflect the greatest credit on the designer, George Middlemas, of San Francisco."

Two days later, June 3, *Lorne* gracefully slid down the ways to her first kiss of salt water. Minutes later, she was under tow of the tug *Pilot*, commanded by her future master, Capt. James Christiansen, who guided the gleaming black hull to a berth alongside the bark *Ivy*. The next morning, Capt. Christiansen towed her to Spratt's wharf, where the lengthy task of installing her two 50-ton engines was begun.

The launching had not been without incident, however, *The Colonist* attributing blame to "too much red tape and the exercise of too little judgment in Victoria officialdom." Prior to the ceremony, *Lorne*'s builders had requested the dominion government dredger, at work 100 yards from the shipyard, clear a deeper channel from the ways to insure a safe launching. Engineer Gamble had replied he could do the job in two hours but required permission from Ottawa.

The builders then appealed to Lt.-Col. E. G. Prior, MP, who telegraphed the minister of public works for the necessary nod. That worthy soon gave approval, but, in the meantime, engineer Gamble had left town on business. When, finally, the dredger was available, the government tug was not. And Capt. Christiansen was not allowed to move the dredger with his towboat, *Pilot*.

Disgusted, *Lorne*'s owners decided to launch her on schedule. "Subsequently," complained the newspaper, "it was discovered that what was feared had taken place, a portion of the copper sheathing having been torn off the bottom of the *Lorne* by coming in contact with the stones and mud. In order to remedy this the expensive services of a diver had to be secured, and the damage to the bottom repaired."

Despite her trials with bureaucracy, \$60,000 *Lorne* was soon ready for service, and on Aug. 23 completed a gala maiden run with owners James and Alex Dunsmuir and a gay party of company officials and directors of the firms involved in her construction. *Lorne* performed beyond all expectation, drawing loud praise from her passengers and an admiring crowd on shore as she sped about Esquimalt Harbor like an "ocean greyhound." Ensign snapping at her stern, *Lorne* easily reached 13 knots, a proud Capt. Christiansen claiming his 150-foot command would make 16 knots without difficulty. Then, whistle blowing, she glided back to her berth, several ships in harbor answering her salute.

Aug. 31, *Lorne* passed her second trial, to Race Rocks and back, without effort. As before, Messrs. Dunsmuir and guests were aboard to observe her performance. They were not disappointed as the tug, "running in the teeth of a strong breeze," handily achieved 14 knots. This, with her machinery incomplete.

Many ships, large and small, have departed the British Columbia maritime scene in over a century; few, other than those immortalized by disaster, are remembered. But several have a rightful claim to history's eye for long, dependable and oftentimes heroic service. One of these memorable seagoing workhorses of long ago was the staunch tug *Lorne*.

Seagoing Workhorse



Even sturdy *Lorne* had to lose a customer in 50 years of towboating. She is shown here, aground on San Juan Island with her tow, *America*, in August, 1914. Courtesy: B.C. Provincial Archives.

"As it was, yesterday's trip amply demonstrated the fact that the Albion Iron Works have made a first-class job of the first triple expansion engines built in Canada, and probably the largest marine engines ever built in the Dominion."

Reason for *The Colonist*'s pride was the fact *Lorne* was a pioneer, until then the largest steamship constructed fully in Victoria. Only her basic design was not local, it being the work of San Francisco architect Middlemas.

Two weeks later, Alex Dunsmuir was hosting a third excursion aboard the tug, this time to Comox. The distinguished party, including MP Prior and a member of the provincial legislature, enjoyed "good time . . . going up, the weather being fine and the engines in charge of the Albion Iron Works man working smoothly and well. A stop was made at Departure Bay for coal, and the new tug arrived safely at the Union mines wharf at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

"Sunday and Monday were spent at Comox, the party on board visiting the mines and

enjoying themselves with rod and gun. The start for home was made at 6 o'clock yesterday morning and the *Lorne* reached her dock in this city at 4:45 p.m., having made a very quick run down. She does not disappoint in any way, and her builder, Mr. Edward Havener, has every reason to feel proud of his work."

When her weary but delighted passengers trooped ashore, *Lorne*'s honeymoon was ended. She would know work — hard work — for half a century.

Her baptism in the rough business of tugboating came in the teeth of a raging sou'wester. British ship *Titania* in tow, she butted her way from Esquimalt Harbor. Capt. Christiansen later described the gale as worst he had ever experienced. "A terrific sea was running, the lightning was blinding and seemed like one sheet of flame constantly enveloping the boat and illuminating the angry water, while the peals of thunder were deafening."

Undaunted, *Lorne* throbbed steadily seaward.

finally casting the *Titania* free off Cape Flattery, then hooked up to the San Francisco ship *Yosemite*, towing the collier to Departure Bay. Christiansen proudly proclaimed her "staunchest, handsomest and best handling boat on the Pacific Coast!"

Seven months after, *Lorne* was towing the sailing ship *Glory of the Seas* to Nanaimo. As Capt. Christiansen altered course slightly to bring both ships into the wind, a squall struck the clipper head-on. Instantly, "the main royals, sky sails, mizzen royals and two other sails were all blown clear of their bolt ropes, and the ship keeled over on its beam ends."

"The tug's crew stared at the sight," continues an anonymous account in the provincial archives, "unbelieving at what they saw, and the hawser line was cast off (as *Lorne* prepared to aid her stricken charge). With the sails gone, the vessel was 'in irons,' for its sails could not be filled enough to make the ship obey. There was much confusion until the canvas was cleared away and the ship brought back to an even keel."

Then, crisis over, *Lorne* calmly secured her hawser and the tow was completed without further incident.

Her next adventure came in the form of a skirmish with Collector of Customs Bradshaw at Tacoma, who fined her \$84 for violating quarantine. Backing the alleged infraction was a state of near-war which existed between Puget Sound ports for several years. All sought to be declared the only port of entry, resorting to amazing legal — and some not so legal — tactics that made northwest headlines more than once.

The Tacoma Ledger supported *Lorne*'s position: "The fine imposed by Collector Bradshaw on the British tug *Lorne*, for towing a vessel to Tacoma, seems to have been imposed solely because the tug did not tow the vessel into Port Townsend, where it did not want to go, and where it would have been compelled to pay tribute for nothing. The right of a British tug to tow a vessel into American waters is not questioned."

"If it had stopped at Port Townsend, it would have been compelled to surrender part of the business it had undertaken, and the Port Townsend tugboats would have got the benefit. As it saved its tow from an unnecessary tax and its own business from a divide with its competitors, it has been fined for violating the 'quarantine law.' An appeal will doubtless set the matter right."

Collector Bradshaw moved faster, however, requesting the secretary of the treasury endorse his action; the secretary found *Lorne* guilty of having illegally towed the ship *Oriental* between American ports, and the matter was closed.

Six years later, *Lorne* was again battling Americans, this time the Sound tugboat fleet. However, her managers, R. P. Rithet and Company, signed a truce with the leading competitor, Capt. J. B. Libby's Puget Sound Tugboat Co., and the contemplated "rate war" was off.

The same year, 1897, *Lorne* defeated officialdom on the matter of fees to British consuls. Once was bad enough, but vice consuls were situated in most ports, meaning *Lorne* paid not once but many times. Her managers appealed directly to the Marquis of Salisbury, winning the decision "no fees are leviable in such cases."

That December, *Lorne* logged several towing records, particularly her run from Nanaimo to Cape Flattery with the coal-laden, 1,700-ton ship *Sterling* in a remarkable 12 hours, 30 minutes. Earlier, she had towed the collier *Eclipse* from Departure Bay to Flattery, returning with the bark *Columbia*, enroute in ballast to Port Townsend; towed the German bark *Magellanes* into Vancouver; her old friend *Glory of the Seas* from Comox to sea; worked her way as far south as Columbia River for the lumber-laden barkentine *Leslie D.*; hauled the ship *America* from Comox; the collier *Rufus E. Wood* from Nanaimo to Flattery.

Three months after, *Lorne* was involved in an international incident. She had been towing the wrecked steamer *Corona* from a reef on Lewis Island in company of the tug *Maude*. The procession was steaming slowly past Entrance Island when the USS *Perry* arrived, to put out a boat to the crippled *Corona*. *Lorne*'s intrigued company watched the officers hold hurried consultation with Capt. Goodall, hand him several letters then return to the cutter. The *Perry* then fell astern, taking up position at the convoy's rear.

Some time later the American tug *Pioneer* joined the procession. Then, without warning, *Corona* released the towline. As an amazed *Lorne* watched, *Pioneer* steamed smartly alongside the liner, which had succeeded in raising steam, and, dipping her colors derisively, began shepherding *Corona* to Port Townsend.

Like *Lorne*'s skipper, Wallace Langley,

Victoria's customs officer Milne was at a loss to explain the mystery. "I haven't the slightest idea why the *Corona*'s people should make such a grand-stand play," he laughed. "We had nothing against the steamer. The only way in which she has even now transgressed our law is in failing to report as she went on to Port Townsend. It may be that she had some small bills here, but such would not be likely to enter into calculations, and our business with her would not have delayed her an hour."

"It would seem that Capt. Goodall simply had an unnatural and groundless fear of trouble at Victoria. The part that surprises me most, however, is that played by the U.S. steamship *Perry* in this case. It hardly seems probable that an American government vessel would sanction and actively assist in a direct violation of the law, however trivial the irregularity. I think there must be some mistake in that."

Speculation as to *USS Perry*'s precise role in the drama swept the northwest. B.C. mariners noted the *Pioneer*'s arrival seemed planned, as the American tug "had appeared on the scene . . . just as the *Lorne*-*Corona*-*Maude* procession entered Seymour Narrows." *Pioneer* had steamed alongside *Corona*, exchanged words, then pretended to depart.

Port Townsend journalists vocally conjectured as to the cutter's role, hinting of a secret mission on orders of the treasury department. Unfortunately for them, the exciting puzzle was soon solved — including their report the *Perry* had ordered *Lorne* to halt at threat of firing a shot across her bows!

The dull facts of the case were that *Corona*'s owners had requested the government dispatch *Perry* simply as an escort. As for Capt. Goodall's underhanded escape with the *Pioneer*, he was afraid of being sued at Victoria by passengers who had lost their possessions in the wreck.

The *Colonist* concluded with the biblical observation, "all men are liars" — more especially the fellow (newspaperman) over at Port Townsend."

Townsend seems to have been *Lorne*'s nemesis for, three months after, while trying to disengage the *Port Carlisle* from a logboom in a gale, she lost her smokestack and suffered damage to her superstructure when she struck the sailing vessel's side.

Lorne broke other towing records in following months. November saw her haul the bark *Eliza* from New Westminster to Flattery and return to Victoria in only 20 hours. Then she towed the 1,800-ton ship *Star of Italy* from *Townsend* to Flattery in nine hours — in a heavy gale. Capt. L. P. Locke, lost when in command of ill-fated *Princess Sophia*, modestly admitted it was the fastest tow in northwest waters.

The years passed, *Lorne* coming and going regularly, towing one ship after another and acting as "mother" to Victoria's sealing fleet. While towing the sailing ship *America* in dense fog off San Juan Island, in August of 1914, *Lorne* ran aground and filled. Salvaged, she soon returned to active service. Finally sold to an American firm, although she remained under Canadian registry, *Lorne* continued for another 10 years.

August, 1937, brought the end to hardy *Lorne* at Vancouver, when she was scrapped. In 1956 Capt. Jim Cates recalled the time in 1906 when he was serving aboard the gallant tug, for the Vancouver Province's Norman Hacking. The Bay City earthquake, he grinned, was all the fault of a black cat and *Lorne*.

They had been off Barkley Sound, waiting for a tow, when they sighted a disabled schooner. Investigating, they found her to be abandoned, her only remaining passenger a black cat, which was rescued. An act of mercy destined to have catastrophic consequences!

"The man who rescued the cat fell and broke his leg, and the tug damaged herself getting alongside the derelict. When the *Lorne* got back to Victoria, she went ahead instead of reverse, and crashed into the wharf. Then there was crew trouble and most of the men walked off."

In the meantime, Capt. Cates had learned the cat's owner was in San Francisco. "So he put the cat in a box, and gave it to a skipper of a ship bound south, with a request he deliver the animal. The ship ran ashore on her way to California, but eventually reached San Francisco. The cat was put on the wharf, and just at that moment, the earthquake erupted."

Capt. Cates learned of the disaster from the Neah Bay lightkeeper who megaphoned — "Black cat delivered safely at San Francisco. City completely destroyed by earthquake and fire!"

In 1964, former master B. L. Johnson, who had towed many a railway barge and log boom with her under the Heceta Straits Towing Co. houseflag, presented *Lorne*'s bell to the Vancouver Maritime Museum.

Beehive Tree



Picture and Story by
CUTHBERT M. BROWN

One day as we were driving home from town my wife suddenly said: "Oh, what was that up in the tree?"

"Where?"

"Over there!" she said, pointing to the now rapidly receding landscape.

"Oh, a large bird maybe."

"No, not like that."

"A raccoon then."

"No, not like that either."

"Well then," as a last resort I said perhaps some children had built themselves a tree house.

No, no, no, it wasn't anything like that. It was big and round — something like a giant teacosy or a large beehive."

This latter struck a familiar chord, for well did I remember the beehive on the skeins of wool that mother used to knit all our stockings with, and I remembered also when I zipped when I should have zipped when helping to wind the wool, and it became somewhat snarled up, requiring a slight stoppage of production, all of which did not promote the best of family relations — for the time-being, that was.

Some months passed by without anything being done about the object in the tree. Going to town in the morning we would be in such a hurry that we would get by the place before we thought of it, and then coming home in the evening it would be too dark or misty and we could not see just where it was.

However, one morning my wife and I decided to sally forth and see the "thing." Accordingly, we jumped into the car and proceeded to the spot.

As we rounded the curve my wife said: "There it is," pointing to the object looking very much like an overgrown beehive.

Proceeding on foot up the rise, we found a Douglas fir tree, I would say 90 to 100 years old and about the same number of feet tall, perfectly natural and healthy in every other way, except on the very top where those close, matted growth of branches appears.

"Well I never," we said to each other. "Someone ought to start a society called U.O.T. — unidentified objects in trees."

Nevertheless, seeing is believing, and if you're interested when you're driving out Brentwood way on the West Saanich Road, look over to your right as you top Heal's Hill and you will see it for yourself.

What caused it? Well, your guess is as good as ours.

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MOST PICTURE THE COUGAR IN SWIFT ACTION or snarling defiance from a tree. But in private life they love to relax as much as any cat, stretching out to sun on log or sandbar. In more frivolous moments they have been known to chase their tails, leap for butterflies and shadow-box. — E. Jervis Bloomfield photo.

By
E. JERVIS BLOOMFIELD

"Maurice Kozak reporting," the taxi driver spoke into his radio-phone. **"At Douglas and Courtney. There's a big cougar in my headlights!"**

"You're nuts!" announced dispatcher Fred Sallis.

The cougar, or mountain lion, doesn't invade downtown Victoria at 4 a.m. of a summer day. Or does it?

Kozak's tires screamed as he followed the evasive tactics of the animal. It sped up, twisted, turned, then raced away at what seemed sixty miles an hour. It headed toward the taxi office.

"Don't believe me, huh?" Kozak shouted into his phone. "Look across the street!" Sallis looked, saw, and called the police.

The big Victoria cougar hunt of 1961 was on. More rubber shrieked as other taxis joined Kozak and the law.

The chase shifted this way and that, sometimes within the shadow of the Empress Hotel, and again close by the legislative buildings. Once the big cat gracefully hurdled a patrol car. When he was finally stopped by police bullets it was found that he was a two-year-old male in prime condition. No one ever proved that anything much but an ill-advised curiosity brought him to the city.

This incident seems unique in the history of encounters with wild cougar.

Now and again incidents are still reported from outback. Bulldozer operator Chriss Wyssen had a frightening experience with a whole family of these felines north of Squamish. The male actually ripped his thigh as he scrambled back onto his machine. Then the five of them trotted alongside the 'dozer for some yards before cutting off into the forest. Shot later the two adults and three kits were all found to be on the verge of starvation.

Ken Nash of Armstrong, chased by one, leaped his rubber boot at it. A winner at high

COUGAR

school track meets he then finished his sprint home in record time.

Cy Wheeler, pro baseball player, had a novel experience in Oregon. Taking a drink where a creek cut through a railroad culvert, he saw a pair of big cat eyes watching him from across the pool. He started up the fill, practically on all fours, the lion following. By a fluke Cy's right hand closed on a stone the size and shape of a baseball. The action was reflex.

Cy turned and pitched, catching the creature between the eyes. With an unhappy yowl the cat slithered back down presumably to plunge his aching head in the pool.

Leopold Cann, surviving a plane crash in the rugged Sierra of northern California, regained consciousness to find a "mean and muscular" mountain lion close by, tail twitching. The shout of "Shalom!" Hebrew greeting of peace and goodwill, seemed to calm it down a moment. He then tried singing rock'n'roll but that set the creature to a growling advance. He switched to Hebrew songs. "He stopped right in his tracks," Cann reported later. "It seemed as though a smile ran right over his face."

The timely arrival of a rescue party put an end to this strange test of nerve.

A more harrowing incident was the one at Hinton, Alberta, in March, 1962. Young Brian Kilbreath was romping with playmates near their homes when one of these animals leaped upon him. Elsie McEvoy, one of the mothers, raced to the scene. She beat the animal with a club, yanked his head away from Brian's throat, and pounded his nose until he fled.

Shot shortly afterwards it turned out to be an emaciated yearling, a scrawny kitten as cougars go, driven to desperation by hunger. With skillful surgery Brian recovered from his terrible lacerations and Mrs. McEvoy was elected Alberta's Mother of the Month.

Fortunately such occurrences are extremely rare and there is a growing school of thought in defence of the cougar.

"It should be emphasized," veteran conservationist Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson has written, "that predation is a normal and natural condition which has always existed." Al Oeming of the world famous Alberta Game Farm appealed to his TV

audience for the preservation of this magnificent feline.

At one time this creature was the most widely dispersed of the American cats for, historically, his range was from Patagonia to Alaska and from Atlantic to Pacific. The variety of his names suggests his ubiquitous nature: Cougar, mountain lion, puma, panther, painter. In memory of the European wildcat the pioneers used the word catamount, the cat-of-the-mountains, for him as well as for the bobcat and the lynx.

Cougar comes from the French *couguar*, the Spanish *couguardo*, the native South American *cuguaucuara*.

Beyond most mammals the cougar has what ecologists call vagility. He can make himself at home in many kinds of territory, the limiting factors being food supply and the activities of his arch enemy, man. He is — or was — to be found in tropical jungle and temperate forest, on pampas and prairie, along the sea beach and amid alpine meadows.

Much of the range of the mountain lion, especially in the north, is overlapped by the bob-tailed lynx.

From Texas to the Argentine he shares his hunting grounds with the stockier and heavier jaguar. This handsome member of the cat tribe, normally orange tan to rufous brown and with a distinctive rosette patterning, may vary from black to pure white. A lighter weight cousin is the infinitely graceful ocelot. His pearly buff coat is stippled with an interesting medley of black rings, spots, and stripes.

But it is for the cougar himself that the designation of lion is apt for the tawny color is most suggestive of his distant African relative. The impression is of powerful shoulders and haunches joined by a slender body. The head is comparatively small, the paws large. His coat is off-white on the underside and he has touches of black on ears, muzzle and the tip of his non-tapering tail.

The weight of an adult ranges from 100 to 200 pounds while one record specimen ran over 275 pounds. In length they have reached a maximum of 9'-9" from tip to tip. For them a 20-foot leap is routine while vertical drops up to 60 feet have been recorded.

The thought of the creature's size and

prodigious agility was of little comfort to me one day when I was shadowed by one along a forested mountain ridge from dawn to dusk. Each time I backtracked on the snow there were his pugs, as wide as my heavy boots and as times right in their footprint.

In North America civilization has driven the cougar from the eastern part of the continent except, according to reports, from small areas in New Brunswick and Florida. We find slight differences in coloration, size, and conformation of the ear so that biologists recognize more than two dozen subspecies. It is difficult to run a cougar census but possibly British Columbia and parts of the State of Washington are the main areas where they are still holding their own. Their Central and South American kinfolk, we hear, are still doing quite nicely thank you.

So secretive are most cougar in their ways that many outdoorsmen go a lifetime without seeing one unless it is treed by dogs. On the other hand it may be that man, with his constant urge to kill, has taught them the wisdom of avoiding the greatest predator of all. A former timber cruiser, receptive and relaxed, tells me that he

once counted seven on a five mile trip near Port Neville. He avers, furthermore, that on several occasions one of these big cats has perched on a stump to watch him work.

"They never worried me," he smiles. "As a matter of fact I'm rather fond of them. They're so damned independent."

Some believe that the cougar is a virtual mute and it is doubtless true that he goes for days without advertising his presence. However he is capable of a varied vocalization embracing most of the common cat sounds, including the purr, but with the probable exception of the conventional meow.

And we have additions.

"Never go into the bush when you hear a baby crying," some say. "It's a cougar trying to lure you." They do, indeed, sometimes make sobbing or crying sounds but it is unlikely that this is conscious mimicry or deceit.

The usual diet in our area is deer but they are happy to take rabbits, marmots, and wide variety of other animals. They will swim long distances to extend their range. While at altitude they are

the one predator which is a threat to mountain sheep and goat.

The kill of deer by a single cougar may well run to one a week. In sheep and cattle country they will at times make inroads on livestock and no man is expected to join the Cat Lovers League when his livelihood is threatened. Some stockmen and hunters clamor for bounties, more active predator control, for virtual extermination of the species. Such attitude is open to sharp question.

Universally the cougar is a valuable check on rodent population. In deer country they are an asset for deer will overpopulate and overgraze a range until there is no alternative but mass starvation or feeding at public expense. While, it must be remembered, natural limitation by predators weeds out the unfit while cropping by hunters tends to pick off the finer specimens.

More and more the wildlife specialists and devotees of the outdoors have come to see the situation in this light. Awhile back I polled a number of western game authorities and found a virtually unanimous favorable word for the cougar. The unselective bounty laws have been repealed in jurisdiction after jurisdiction and control of specific marauders is being left in the hands of wardens and other field men of the game departments.

The cougar, as indeed all life, is limited by the food supply and with these carnivores this means the density of other animals. Being a large creature and one which will travel 20 miles on its nightly hunt it must score with consistent regularity. As Stewart P. Smith, director of fish and wildlife for Alberta, pointed out: "If they spend X amount of energy in order to kill animals which provide (X-1) amount of energy, then they cannot survive."

A common complaint among hunters is that they will kill a deer, take one meal and abandon the carcass. This may hold true where game is plentiful but frequently they cover the remains and come back later. Furthermore, as Dan McCowan the Rocky Mountain naturalist has written, nothing is wasted. Talkative magpie, croaking raven, squeaking shrew and droning beetle gather about the board. Even a buck's antlers will be gnawed by the porcupine.

When game is scarce their irregular mating habits and the size of the litter, commonly two to four, are an apparent way for Nature to meet the given set of conditions.

The period of gestation is five months and the coats of the kittens — fascinating bundles of dynamite — are spotted, their tails ringed, a camouflage which fades with maturity. The father, absent at birth, often returns later to help feed and raise the family. If taken young enough the kittens will grow into affectionate pets though, in truth, faintly disturbing to your neighbors.

For the adult, catch-em-alive enthusiasts wait until the cougar is treed by dogs and then make their pass with a noose attached to a stout pole.

"It's the only right way," says an oldtimer, "If he tries to get away you're still catching him. If he tries to attack he ain't catching you."

Attack or retreat, no one has ever fairly accused the cougar of cowardice. Even in flight he carries an air of assurance, of defiance.

In private life he has more relaxed moments dozing in the sun, preening himself, or lazily draped over the bough of a tree. And frivolous ones, too, leaping for butterflies, shadow boxing or chasing his tail.

Though the range of this New World catamount has shrunk we trust he will be with us for a long, long time. In this day of automation and the atom it should be good for our souls. For here is one magnificent individualist who can still wrest a living from the wilderness.



APPARENTLY ONLY CURIOSITY AND A SENSE OF ADVENTURE led to the finish of this prime cougar in downtown Victoria. In the shadow of the tourist-jammed Empress Hotel he led police and taxi drivers on a wild radio-assisted chase before being cornered. Photo: Ryan Brothers, Victoria.

Nature's Notebook

HIGH WILDLIFE

The greater majority of wildlife species will be found from the timber line down. The timber line generally exists up to 7,000 feet. However, mountain sheep and goat range far above this line during summer months. The cougar and grizzly bear are lovers of high places. Pikas and marmots and even certain species of mice live throughout the year above the timber line. Where there is vegetation there will always be found wildlife in some form or other.

Muriel
Wilson's

THOUGHT
FOR
FOOD

The coming year what will it bring?
At least we can be sure of spring.
What will they hold the coming
hours?
At least we can be sure of flowers.
Blossoms and bees and flowering
trees
At least we can be sure of these.

Well, that's a nice happy note to start the New Year on. In a world fraught with so many uncertainties, it is good to know there are at least some things we can depend on. During this New Year may our forward look be concentrated on the verities rather than the possibilities of the future.

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After the feverish preparation for the holiday festivities, kitchen activities assume a more leisurely pace during January; although appetites seem to increase during these winter months. Apropos of the certainties of life we must surely include the daily round of three meals a day.

After the sweet sea of festive food, most "post-holiday tired" cooks are happy to get back to plain fare. Most of us can hardly wait to go back to applesauce and bran muffins.

One of the first things a housewife faces in the new year is getting that Christmas inflated budget back into shape. Economy in the kitchen can be pretty unpopular but a wise housewife knows better than to let her economics show. With a little ingenuity and creative artistry it is possible to serve good

Getting Back to Plain

tasting and eye appealing meals at low cost . . . of course it takes a little longer to prepare a savory stew than to broil a steak.

Possibly the greatest saving on food can be done with some of the less expensive cuts of meat.

A boiled dinner can be absolutely delicious, almost any of the cheaper cuts of meat can be used, plus a variety of vegetables. Served on a hot platter surrounded by a rich gravy thickened to a silken smoothness, it is dish fit for a king or for a hungry family.

NEW ENGLAND BOILED DINNER . . . 4 to 5 pounds beef brisket (or shank, plate boiling beef or heel of the round), 2 quarts cold water to cover, 1 Tbsp. salt, seasoned pepper to taste and mixed vegetables (carrots, celery, turnip and onions whole or quartered). Put meat in a deep kettle and cover with cold water, add salt and pepper. Cover and simmer (do not boil) for about 2½ or 3 hours. The time can be shortened by treating the meat with meat tenderizer before cooking. The vegetables go in for the last ½ hour of cooking.

The broth can be served with cooked noodles, or rice for a first course. Thicken the balance of the gravy to serve with the meat and vegetables. Horseradish is traditional to serve with this meat.

CORNED BEEF can be cooked in the same way but cook wedges of cabbage instead of the mixed vegetables. Cabbage wedges will cook in 15 to 20 minutes.

How long since you have made a **STEAK** and **KIDNEY PIE**? If you have a family who say they don't like kidney, put the kidney through the meat chopper. You will have all the rich, good flavor with no identifying bits of kidney in the pie.

Use round or flank steak or even stewing beef. Cut the meat into small pieces, shake in a bag with seasoned flour and brown well before adding the kidney. Brown a few chopped onions along with the beef. Cut the centre membrane from the kidney and in small pieces (or put through the meat grinder). Add to the beef with enough water to come up about two inches in the pan. Cover and simmer until tender.

When tender thicken the gravy, taste for seasoning. Pour into a deep baking dish and top with a flaky pie crust or a baking powder crust. Bake for about 20 minutes in a 400 deg. F. oven or until topping is golden. Cooked vegetables may be added to the meat in the filling but most of us prefer to cook the vegetables separately.

Baked beans are always an economical dish . . . a perfect supper meal for hungry children. It is a good way to use up small bits

of ham or the end of a cottage roll. To be really economical one should cook the beans from scratch. Even for two people this is practical . . . baked beans freeze beautifully, they can be frozen in meal-size portions. Handy too for a quick heat-up.

With the advent of gas and electric ranges the old-fashioned eight to 10-hour baked beans became less popular. Now we get practically the same result with pre-cooking in a pressure cooker, then finishing them in the oven.

It is not necessary to soak the beans overnight. Simply wash and place a pound of small white beans in the pressure cooker with water to cover. Cook according to directions for your type of cooker. I use a Presto and cook the beans for about 20 minutes with 15 pounds pressure. The beans should be firm, not mushy. Cook a whole scored onion studded with about 6 cloves in the pressure cooker with the beans. If you should have a ham bone cook it along with the beans too. Season with salt after cooking. I like to use a shallow baking dish rather than a bean pot to finish in the oven. With a large baking surface exposed to the heat it's easy to get the beans well browned in a shorter time. Use the liquid the beans have been cooked in to keep them moist while baking. To 1 pound of pre-cooked beans add the following . . . some chopped cooked ham, 1-3 cup brown sugar, 2 tsp. dry mustard, 1 to 2 tsp. chili powder, ¼ cup dark molasses, ¼ cup catsup. Mix well. Top with a little more cooked ham, sprinkle with more brown sugar and dribble catsup over all. Bake 1½ to 2 hours, adding more liquid as necessary.

Beef Stew and dumplings is a heritage from early German immigrants to the New

World. It has become numerous vegetable beef. For basic rec

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hints from Heloise

DEAR HELOISE:

My sheets and pillowcases seem to wear out so quickly that just recently I had to buy a new supply. It was awfully expensive.

Can you tell me how to launder them properly so they will last longer?

Bea A.

Yes, Bea, I think I can help.

According to one of the leading manufacturers of sheets and towels, they should be washed with care for longer wear.

Your white sheets should



be put in 140 to 160-degree water, and pastels in water not over 120 degrees F.

And be sure you follow all the instructions on pack-

BRIDE'S CORNER

A handful of whole raw cranberries tossed in with the pot roast or stew for the last five minutes of cooking adds flavor and a bright note of color.

Before the fresh cranberries are over be sure to put a few boxes in the freezer. It's nice to be able to make fresh cranberry sauce in summer.

A tablespoon or two of golden syrup added to the hotcakes or waffle batter adds an appetizing color to the cooked product.

Heat any waffle or hotcake syrup with butter for a hot pour-over sauce. 1 cup syrup and ¼ cup butter.

For unexpected company when there is not enough chicken to go around . . . remove chicken from the bones, add cream of mushroom or cream of chicken soup and serve over noodles, rice or spaghetti.

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World. Because it is tasty and economic it has become an all-American favorite. There are numerous versions in seasonings and the vegetables used, but all start with cubes of beef. For the beginning cook here is a good basic recipe.

BEEF STEW AND DUMPLINGS . . . 2 pounds 1-inch beef cubes, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup unsifted flour, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup peanut oil or any good salad oil, 1 cup chopped onions, $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups water, 2 Tbsp. chopped parsley, 2 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. MSG, 1 clove garlic minced fine (optional), 1 medium bay leaf, 2 cups cubed potatoes, $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups carrot slices, 1 cup diagonally cut celery and 1 cup cubed green pepper.

DUMPLINGS . . . $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups biscuit mix, $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. thyme crushed and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk or water.

Dredge beef in flour, heat oil in large heavy saucepan and brown the meat on all sides. Remove meat and set aside. Add onions and saute lightly. Return meat to pan together with water, parsley, salt, MSG, garlic and bay leaf.

Now cover the pan and cook over low heat for an hour, stirring occasionally. Add vegetables and cook, covered for 15 minutes longer or until all is tender. To lift the stew out of the economy class, add a cup of chopped mushrooms and cook another 5 minutes.

To make the dumplings . . . combine biscuit mix and thyme, add the milk (or water) all at once and mix with a fork. Spoon onto the simmering stew. Cook over low heat uncovered about 10 minutes. Cover and cook 10 minutes longer.

This makes a fine substantial dish and perfect

MOST SAVING IS ON MEAT



for a cold January evening. Seasonings are especially important in economy dishes, always taste before serving. MSG (Ac-cent) is important in all savory dishes to bring up the flavor, and if

the meat is treated with meat tenderizer it not only cuts down cooking time but it improves both the flavor and texture. Make it a habit to use these cooking aids.

LETTER OF LAUGHTER

DEAR HELOISE:

This may sound like a letter of laughter but it really is a good hint.

My husband figured out the perfect way to sun a mattress. He puts our mattress on the hood of my car under the carport before he goes to work (second cars are nice). Then when the sun comes out, I back the car out into the sunshine.

If it rains while he is away, I just run the car back under the carport. I don't have to lift the mattress and it doesn't get wet either.

Mrs. Preacher

A GOOD SQUEEZE

DEAR HELOISE:

If you use a press-type orange squeezer, you might have noticed, as I did, that sometimes a half orange splits and makes it easier to get more juice!

Now, when cutting an orange, I make a cut on the side—more juice and less work!

Mrs. L. Rhodes

TRICK OR TREAT

DEAR HELOISE:

I use an old Halloween mask to hold over my face when I use hair spray.

As it says on the can to keep the spray away from eyes, nose and hairline, I find that this mask is the ideal solution.

The "eyes" are still there so you can see what you're spraying!

Eleanore

MISSING LINK

DEAR HELOISE:

We're very fond of pork link sausage, but find that all the grease remaining after frying them does not agree with us.

So when they are special at the market, I bring home a large amount of sausages and immediately put them in a pan and cover with water.

I boil them for 15 or 20 minutes, then drain and rinse under hot water to remove all the excess grease



possible. I package them in plastic bags and keep them in the freezer.

When we are ready to eat some, I take out as many as needed and pop them into a hot frying pan where they thaw and brown in a few minutes.

This way most of the grease is eliminated.

Mrs. O.E.B.

Some of you all are going to gasp when you see the grease on top of that pot of water. I boiled mine 30 minutes and they were great.

Heloise

HOT DAWGI

DEAR HELOISE:

When making hot dogs with chili sauce and onions, instead of sprinkling onions on top, mix them in with the sauce. This way they don't fall off.

Also if you split the wiener lengthwise, the sauce will go down inside.

A Reader

UNIQUE GIFT

DEAR HELOISE:

My 11-year-old son wanted to buy his father something unusual for his birthday this year.

In a used bookstore he found a National Geographic printed the month and year of his Daddy's birth.

My husband was delighted with the magazine and took it to the office to show all his friends.

Katherine Pearson

THE ROCK PILE

DEAR HELOISE:

I think my husband takes the blue ribbon for your precious nylon net projects. He uses it to sift the rocks from dry ready-made cement and says it works fine.

O.W.

DON'T SPARE THE ROD

DEAR HELOISE:

My hint is a decorator idea for paper towels.

I bought a 36-inch brass curtain rod with pretty brackets. This length of rod usually comes with two brackets, but most stores have extra brackets.

I got an extra bracket and mounted the rod at eye level on the wall near the sink with the extra bracket.

et in the middle.

On one side go the paper towels and on the other my dish and hand towels. I think it looks nicer than a plastic holder, costs less and works far better!

Carole Woodworth

STACKS OF SEWING

DEAR HELOISE:
Here is a suggestion for those who sew:

I have three plastic stack vegetable bins and keep my pick-up sewing in the lower bin. The top bin holds my needles, pin, tape or what-have-you.

The hollow corner "legs" are great to stick scissors and pinking shears in!

Really neat and handy.

Mrs. B. Krywick

GET THE POINT?

DEAR HELOISE:

For the man whose pencils discolor his shirt pockets:

If he smokes, let him put his pencil point down INSIDE his cigarette pack.

X. Perience



HORSE AND BUGGY DAYS OF LOGGING.

CAMERON BROTHERS PIONEERED ISLAND TIMBER INDUSTRY

By
JAMIE CAMERON

In 1906 James Oscar Cameron came to Victoria to investigate a timber and lumber business. He liked what he saw and asked his brother, Donnell Officer Cameron, if he would like to go into it with him. That resulted in their both coming here in 1907 and had soon taken over a sawmill to start cutting lumber. The plant they took over was known as the Taylor-Paterson mill and was still under construction. They finished building the mill and shortly after starting to cut lumber, they organized the Cameron Lumber Co. Ltd.

The Taylor-Paterson mill was built on a mud flat which would be covered with water when the tide was in. That necessitated building the mill and all roadways on piling, all of which would have water under them at high tide. Once they started to cut lumber, sawdust and mill waste would be dumped off the driveways until practically the whole yard could be used for stacking lumber.

Eventually it was all planked so that wagons and lumber dollies could be taken in any direction.

During the next eight years, except for the pre-war depression and the outbreak of war in 1914, the plant ran well. Cut of lumber was gradually stepped up, but was suddenly halted in 1917 when fire destroyed the planing mill, cross arm machinery, box plant and machine shop with a total loss of \$80,000.

In 1918 another fire destroyed the sawmill. The lumber business was so poor then that re-

building was not commenced until 1934. It was put in as an all-electric mill and when finished and started cutting lumber in 1935 was a most modern plant.

Business flourished and the mill became known to all in that industry. A sad loss was occasioned in 1943 when J. O. Cameron died.

A good staff under the leadership of D. O. Cameron kept the business going until in 1946 an offer was made by eastern capitalists to buy the plant. That offer was so good that all those having any interest in the organization accepted. The Cameron Lumber Company Limited then ceased to exist and became the Victoria branch of British Columbia Forest Products Limited.

J. O. Cameron had been a successful lawyer in Carlsbad, New Mexico, in 1906. He had organized a public utility company, located a site for a dam on the Pecos River where electricity was developed that supplied lights and power to Carlsbad and surrounding communities. He was elected to and served a term in the territorial legislature at the capital, Santa Fe. Another venture was sheep ranching and north of Carlsbad he had a spread where more than 10,000 sheep grazed.

J. O. Cameron was known as "J.O." when spoken to, or about, by those who knew him well. In 1906 he was approached to investigate a timber proposition here on Vancouver Island by B. F. Graham, who as the B. F. Graham Lumber Company held many timber licenses and considerable crown grant at Port Renfrew.

Under the leadership of Graham, J. O. Cameron, Charlie Shannon with his brother-in-law, C. L. Betterton, and several of Graham's friends from Los Angeles came up to see what he had to offer. J. O. Cameron stayed in Victoria to investigate regulations governing the logging of timber licenses while all the others went out to Port Renfrew to see what they could do of the timber. Except for a fine stand of spruce, most of the timber was hemlock which at that time had a poor market.

J. O. found the laws satisfactory except that there was a limited time in which to remove the timber. He wired his brother, D. O. Cameron, that it was a good proposition and he could come in with him if he wished.

Donnell Officer Cameron was also a lawyer of some prominence in his home town and in 1906 he was prosecuting attorney of Coleman, Texas, where he lived. His friends and acquaintances spoke to, and of him, as "D.O."

"When that wire came from J.O. it appealed to me," he said, "as I knew that anything that looked good to him should be fine and I was anxious to get into anything with him. I immediately sent \$12,500 as a start."

At that time the B. F. Graham Lumber

Company was not going as Graham had promised. The bank was having to pay money for losses that were being sustained, but was about to stop doing that. J. O. Cameron became uneasy about the situation so had D. O. come up to take a position with the company.

When he came to Victoria in February, 1907, D. O. Cameron took the position as secretary-treasurer of the B. F. Graham Lumber Company. He found things in bad shape and was required by the bank to sign notes for the company and personally guarantee them and the account.

Money had been borrowed from a Port Angeles man with timber as security. He was to be paid from proceeds of logs as they were boomed and sold. Logging costs were a great deal higher than had been expected so when a big boom of spruce was ordered taken to Port Angeles to apply on the loan, D. O. Cameron made strenuous objection.

"I didn't like that a bit," he recounted. "When I found that income was not near what it was supposed to be, I went to the bank and told them that if that boom was allowed to go, I should be released of my obligations to them."

The bank agreed with him, stopped the boom and sold it to the J. A. Sayward mill here. That resulted in considerably reducing the obligations D. O. had at the bank. That action on his part resulted in a meeting of stockholders at which they expected to fire him.

"When I brought up various things that had taken place," said D.O. "the money uselessly squandered and lack of any profits, they decided that the only thing to do was make a division of holdings. We agreed to take either the Port Renfrew timber or a small block of timber at Oyster River with the small mill that Betterton had bought here in Victoria. They chose the Port Renfrew timber, so we got the other assets which eventually turned out a far better proposition than straight logging at Port Renfrew would have been."

The mill taken over was known as the Taylor-Paterson mill. It was being built on a mudflat by two men of those names who had fallen out before construction was completed, thus a good buy was had.

At high tide the whole area would be under water so the mill and all driveways had to be built on piles. For some time, at high tide, water would be seen under the mill and all driveways. In finishing the plant, the resources of the Camerons were strained almost to the breaking point before they started to cut lumber. Not long after cutting had started the name was changed to Cameron Lumber Co., Ltd. which name was in effect for 38 years when in 1946 the plant was sold.

When finished, the Taylor-Paterson mill could cut about 5,000 feet an hour. Business was good

during 1908, 09, 10 and to the depression of 1912-13 and war starting in 1914.

In 1912 an engineer developed a machine for pressing logs from sawdust. A pilot plant was installed at the then Lemon-Gomason mill and working on dry material from the sawdust and door factory, made successful logs. That looked good enough to the Cameron Lumber Co. and they, with Lemon-Gomason put in \$60,000 each and a plant was built at Camerons to press out logs. Steam power was put in and three immense machines that were to compress the sawdust, were ordered built and were installed with conveyors and dryers.

Difficulty of drying wet sawdust developed which held up production. That holdup was overcome, but bark in the sawdust would not pack and at that time there was no way to get rid of the bark so the whole thing was a complete loss. Of the \$120,000 which had been put into it, the only salvage was sale of the machinery as scrap.

In 1912, at the suggestion of R. T. Elliot, the Genoa Bay sawmill was bought from the bank which held it. His brother, George Elliot, went in as manager and made a good record in that position.

The mill operated successfully as long as sailing ships were carrying lumber. After that method was outmoded, car barges would come in with five to eight cars which had to be loaded quickly to avoid heavy demurrage charges. Extensive docks had to be built to accommodate the large steam freighters that began coming in. The first full cargo of lumber to go through the Panama Canal was loaded on the steamer Robert Dollar at Genoa Bay. For several years Genoa Bay and Cameron Lumber shipped as much export lumber as any sawmill in B.C.

One of the greatest drawbacks to Genoa Bay was water. In summer the well would get low, the water turned brackish, and all water had to be brought at great expense and trouble, by scow.

In late 1915 R. T. Elliot did the Camerons another favor, when he was instrumental in securing B.C. government assistance in financing a ship-building industry. The Cameron Genoa Bay Shipbuilders Limited, organized by those companies, established a building ways at what is now the site of the Smith Cedar Products shingle mill, and laid down the first keel.

The ship was almost completed when a change in government cut off the financing and they had to sell. However, from then on they supplied most of the lumber used in building the many wooden ships launched in Victoria during the First World War.

The Sayward mill had been rented in order to have means of producing enough lumber for ship building and other orders. It was fortunate they had that plant, as on June 8, 1917, a fire at the Cameron Lumber Co. mill destroyed the planing mill, box factory, cross arm machinery and machine shop with a total loss of \$80,000.

In rebuilding that part of the plant it was decided to install all electric drives. With the help and advice of the chief engineer, D. O. Cameron bought two generators of 500 and 800 kilowatts capacity. They were installed and a contract was made with the B.C. Electric to sell them the surplus power that could be generated during the day, at night, and on Sundays and holidays. Their engineer, Wirtenan, was one of the best. He was instrumental in installing a system for using all sawdust and mill waste for developing power.

The sale of power was a real financial help when in times of poor lumber business it provided a steady income. The Cameron company had also gone into logging. In 1919, 2,500 acres of timberlands south of Sooke Lake was for sale. They had planned to buy it, so had a cruiser go over it and he found it an excellent lot of timber. Mayo and Kapoor were also after it, over bid them and got it.

The cruiser, A. B. Root suggested that 1,000 acres to the south was just as good and after their application was accepted by the E. & N. Railroad and got an excellent deal on it. A small mill was built at Leechtown in 1934 and the finest lumber cut and the best of poles and piling taken off.

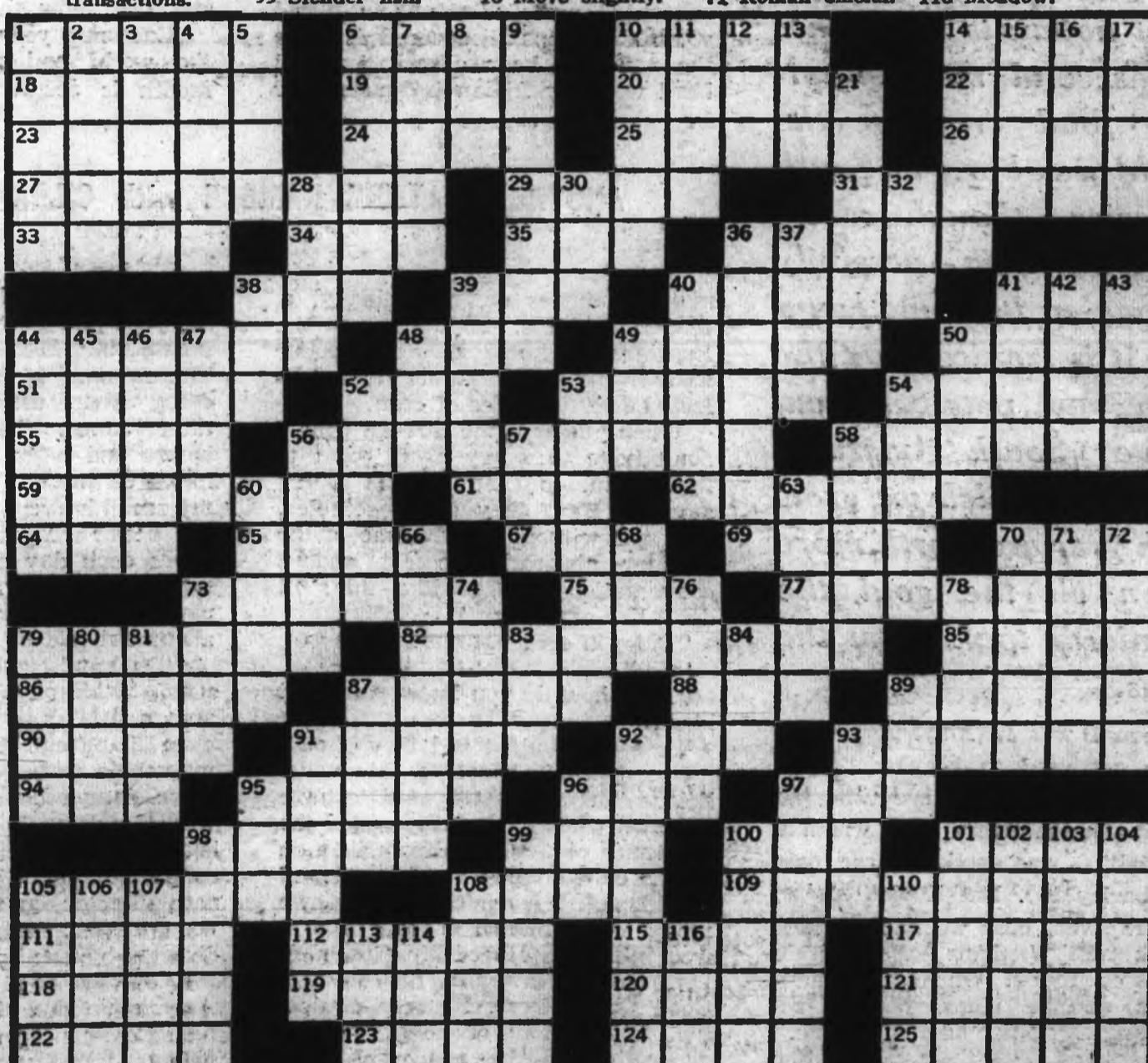
In 1919 the Genoa Logging Company bought timber on Cowichan Lake and logged off an area of what is now the site of the sawmill at Youbou. When that, and other stands around the lake were finished, they secured a tract on the North Arm peninsula. That was the best logging show and the best timber they ever had around Cowichan Lake.

In 1922 they bought a tract of timber at mile 63 on the Canadian National Railway. There they did some logging with one of the first large caterpillar tractors, a Holt 10-ton, used on Vancouver Island. Later on it was found advisable to put in a railroad show which necessitated miles of steel, high bridges and culverts. Logs from there were of mediocre

ISLANDER Crossword Puzzle

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| By Thomas Welch | 54 Italian poet (1265-1321). | 100 Joanne — actress. | 17 Bodies of water. | 72 Stories. |
| ACROSS | 55 Weed. | 101 Check. | 73 Melodies. | 74 Scoff. |
| 1 Details. | 56 Lasting through the year. | 105 Renounce formally. | 76 Dug, as for coal. | 78 Bedouin garments. |
| 6 Box cautiously. | 58 Mendicant. | 108 Fine black powder. | 79 Incarnation of Vishnu. | 80 Masculine name. |
| 10 First name of 27 across. | 59 Changed by addition. | 109 Not absolute. | 81 U.S. coin. | 83 Explosive. |
| 14 Throw. | 61 Prefix: Between. | 111 Prophetic sign. | 84 Negative. | 87 Cornmeal bread. |
| 18 Ancient Greek place of assembly. | 62 Rake with gunfire. | 112 Vampire. | 88 Bullfight cry. | 89 Consume. |
| 19 Easy gait. | 64 Call for help. | 115 Lamb's pen name. | 89 Supplied with munitions. | 91 Cloak. |
| 20 Constellation. | 65 Who is me. | 117 Glens. | 90 Old Indian weights. | 92 Trades. |
| 22 Ceremony. | 67 Prefix: Before. | 118 Faction. | 91 Matrimonial sign. | 93 Masculine name. |
| 23 Daughter of Lear. | 69 Grieved. | 119 South African antelope. | 92 Theatrical group. | 95 Moral wrong. |
| 24 Lance; Ital. | 70 Ready. | 120 Teer. | 93 Nobleman. | 96 Philippine peasant. |
| 25 Georgia — Clarke. | 73 Catkins. | 121 Field of combat. | 94 New Zealand timber trees. | 97 Originate. |
| 26 Where Nepal is. | 77 Addition to a house. | 122 God of war. | 95 Texas shrine. | 98 Window lights. |
| 27 "King of the Wild Frontier." | 79 Cooking formula. | 123 Sweetsop. | 96 Becomes fatigued. | 99 Incite. |
| 29 Size of type. | 82 Dispatched, as troops by railroad. | 124 Interest. | 97 Smooth. | 100 Imbibe. |
| 31 Trees growing in moist lands. | 85 Seethe with agitation. | 125 Concludes the case. | 98 Swiss river. | 101 Gaze intently. |
| 33 Serf. | 86 Declares firmly. | 1 DOWN | 99 Spring month in Paris. | 102 Floor coverings. |
| 34 "Miserables." | 87 Hammer heads. | 1 Light comedy. | 50 Extreme anger. | 103 Occurrence. |
| 35 Before. | 88 Correlative. | 2 Drying devices. | 52 Parapets of a fortification. | 104 Tablelands. |
| 36 Hindu queen. | 89 Cotton town near Memphis. | 3 Coarse Philippine grass. | 53 Trappers. | 105 Feminine name. |
| 38 Ancient. | 90 Supplies with troops. | 4 Small quantity. | 54 Delsy. | 106 Oriental prince. |
| 39 Noah's ship. | 91 French Egyptologist (1868-1938). | 5 Disappeared from view. | 55 Volcano in Martinique. | 107 Give up. |
| 40 English coin. | 92 Wager. | 6 Booked for an office. | 56 Blight. | 108 Trigonometric ratio. |
| 41 Strike sharply. | 93 Fastens. | 7 Mails. | 57 Exposed. | 110 Twelfth Hebrew month. |
| 44 African mammals. | 94 Insect. | 8 Likely. | 58 Depressa. | 113 Alabama: Abbr. |
| 48 — longa. | 95 More rational. | 9 Field workers. | 59 Wanderer. | 114 Floor covering. |
| 49 Former White House name. | 96 Little fellow. | 10 Indulge in the tango. | 60 Directed. | 116 Meadow. |
| 50 Russian hemp. | 97 Animal pet. | 11 Section. | 61 Guido's note. | |
| 51 Animated. | 98 Yearned. | 12 Compete. | 70 Laugh explosively. | |
| 52 Oldtime warehip. | 99 Slender fish. | 13 Commerce. | 71 Roman official. | |
| 53 Bushness transactions. | | 14 European river. | | |
| | | 16 Move slightly. | | |



quality so the operation wasn't too good. When that was about finished they got timber at Lakeshaw, Mile 54 on the CNR that was also a railroad show.

"That timber was a disappointment to both of us," said D. O. Cameron. "Many of the best looking trees were the most defective. A setting I estimated would produce 3,500,000 feet actually had less than 1,000,000 feet of sound logs taken from it. The cedar there was good but it was at the time at such low prices that it was almost hopeless to sell it for enough to pay the costs of logging it."

On Feb. 25, 1931, at 12:15 a.m. fire started and completely destroyed the Cameron Lumber Co. sawmill, although the buildings burned and replaced after the 1917 fire were saved. The

company had been carrying quite a lot of use and occupancy insurance, but business had gone down to such an extent that all except \$25,000 to cover overhead had been cancelled.

Reconstruction of the sawmill was delayed for some time as the depression was on and business poor. D. O. Cameron made trips about the country buying machinery. The plan was to have an all-electric mill, so hundreds of electric motors and speed reducers would be needed, most of which were found at distress sales of companies having to quit.

Construction was commenced in 1936 and by

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January is the month when past, present and future mingle as I sort my vegetable seeds for planting in flat or cold frame. Once again I marvel at the diversity of these life containers: each one unique, as are we ourselves. They range from the veined and shiny pole beans of Jack and the giant fave (which I pick with an extension ladder) to the dainty seed of dwarf lettuce with its Lilliput plant. In between are the rough and smooth, hard and soft, dark and bright—just like people.

SOWING THE NEW YEAR

Plants go far back in time, as families do. In this hemisphere the bean, squash, pumpkin and melon are thought to have the longest ancestry. Corn is a latecomer, though fossilized grains of corn pollen were discovered in the Valley of Mexico at a geological level of 80,000 years. Most botanists think that this second most important food crop in the world was born in South America, though others pinpoint Asia—possibly Burma—as its home country. It is ironical that the corn and potatoes (another South American national) which we grow each year are worth more than all the gold the Spaniards took from the Incas.

When I was in England I could never get used to hearing "corn" and seeing wheat. At one time the name — which means "that which is crushed" — was applied to rye, oats and barley too. But it was maize, not the sweet corn we know, which the first Elizabethans called Turkie corn or Indian Wheat, "a marvelous strange plant, nothing resembling any other kind of grayne." Farmers fed it to their cattle after

their wives tried to make bread of it "which nourisheth but little, and is guilt of digestion."

Although the Elizabethans thought "this grayne groweth in Turkie, whereby it is used in the time of dearth," it was Cuba where two of Christopher Columbus's men found the plant in 1492. They had been sent into the interior to do some exploring and came back with kernels of "a sort of grain they call maiz which was well tast'd, bak'd, dry'd, and made into flour."

I like remembering this history of corn as I sort over my bags of kernels. But the thing that really thrills me is that no wild ancestor of Indian corn has ever been found. This means that the 700 different varieties growing in widely separated parts of the New World when Columbus discovered it were the result of keen observation and hard work by Indian botanists over

South America seems to have bothered him particularly. He spoke of it as being "eaten with much peril" and went on to say: "Doubtless these apples have a mischievous quality; the use whereof is utterly to be forsaken."

Food taboos are often the allies of hunger. In some countries today it is thought that mottled beans or speckled bananas can bring smallpox and fish cause leprosy. Cows may be sacred, butter may be made into soap instead of eaten, mothers may exclude all protein from a child's diet for fear of breaking a taboo. Yet things are changing. Where a man could divorce his wife for eating an egg, chicken raising is rapidly developing. The girls of Uganda were forbidden both milk and fish; now they consume both.

Each new year brings changes, to the world and to ourselves. This month is seedtime in more ways

have harvested through life (newspaper and PR work, advertising and public speaking, freelance writing and farming) should be offered where they might help.

It is a lame leader who doesn't find out what skills his followers have — particularly those on his staff — and then recruit them. It is a poor gardener who doesn't find out what his seeds need to grow best and give it to them — and a poor person who doesn't do the same for his friend. I am fortunate to have known so many good people in all three categories. Yet if all the capable people kept in limbo by spite, envy (on which that poisonous berry, rumor, ripens), fear and stupidity were used instead of being laid end to end, they would stretch to Eden on earth.

Yet my seeds keep me perennially hopeful. They will sprout and flower and fruit and so, surely —oh, surely this year! — will our words and work for beauty and for peace, Quietly, quietly as a plant grows: asking only for time and the nourishment of understanding. Asking for courage when these are lacking; for the creativeness to find that which we must have. As the plant goes deep or spreads wide to water. As corn has managed to grow below sea level and up to 21,000 feet; where there are 200 inches of annual rainfall and where there are only 10.

Outside my house tonight, in the charity of moonlight, all things seem possible. A midwinter moon always makes my breath come quickly. It shines on beauty bare. It illuminates the core, the kernel, the nucleus of land-and-seascape. It exposes charms unseen at other seasons. My seeds are always planted on a waxing moon and I open my hand now to let moonrays fall on those I have brought out with me. On such a night it is easy to understand offerings and invocations.

Here in my hand are the days of summer gone and summer yet to come. The spring beginnings are here and the gatherings of autumn. I am holding life in my hand. Almost I expect the seeds to dance out of my palm, so full of life I know them to be. I am filled with awe and joy as I look at them.

ANOTHER NATURE RAMBLE with GILEAN DOUGLAS

many centuries or, more likely, a few milleniums. In the 1920s the Russians went botanizing among our native cultivated plants and collected 8,000 varieties of corn.

When guests come at corn time I don't have to worry about what to feed them. In fact, I don't worry anyway. Here they get vegetables, with and without meat. Some of the younger generation object and a conversation will go like this: "I don't like egg plant."

"Did you ever eat one?"

"No."

"Then how do you know you don't like it?"

We eat egg plant and they like it.

One Ukrainian recipe is so delicious that a priest is said to have swooned when he merely sniffed the fragrance of the dish. From then on it was called "the swooning priest."

Although I haven't tried my own recipe on a priest, I am afraid it wouldn't have pleased Mr. Gerard of London, who lived in the days of Good Queen Bess. He was against the importation of foreign foods generally and the egg plant from

than one. What have we grown in the year just gone? What will be our ingathering in the year to come? The Romans knew what they were doing when they named January after Janus, the god who looks before and after. Looking back and forwards myself, I am ashamed of my small harvest and hope fervently for better crops next year. Many hours each day are spent with my typewriter and growing things, but never yet have they been enough for all that should be done.

"Do you" several readers have queried, "do anything besides write and farm?" Yes, for I believe that even the greatest lover of solitude must help with the world's work in these dangerous days. This year I was the delegate to Synod for our island parish and am on the church committee, ACW secretary, alternate director on the Comox-Strathcona Regional Board (I lost out as director by one spoiled ballot!); on the executive of our Ratepayers' Association and the Advisory Planning Commission for Area I. I have always felt that the small seeds I

Frontier Towns With Instant Amenities

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as out-dated when they arrive, there are no discotheques, or drive-in theatres, but the lack of tension and pressure far outweighs the disadvantages. There are no old people (except at Hudson's Hope), not many teen-agers, almost no deaths, hundreds of births.

Each town has its own mayor and council,

which at first were company-appointed, but which, by this December, will all have been elected.

To outdoor-sports-minded people, old or young, the communities are, of course, seventh heavens, for fishing, swimming, hiking, and hunting. The need for more recreational facilities, especially for children and as added incentive for keeping teen-agers around, is recognized and constantly being worked at. While the future of the towns will depend largely on secondary industry or expansion of that already there, as

the towns acquire roots perhaps some senior citizens might be attracted to retire there. As it is, "we miss the grandparents," said one young wife a little wistfully.

"It won't seem quite real until we have a better balance between old and young, and as many teen-agers as we have little kids."

But on the whole, the towns are happy places and regarded by most whose lives they touch as an enlightened example of how foresight and bold imagination can open the most impervious of doors.

Knight of the Peavey

By MARGARET TREBETT

Hughie Watts has retired, aged 65, and looks back on 45 years of longshoring on Port Alberni's waterfront.

As a young Knight of the Peavey, he worked through the years of heavy lifting and unlimited overtime, when gang competed against gang to set new loading records. He was a member of No. 2 gang at a time when only four of the 13-man squads were needed to handle all the shipping from the port's single wharf.

Hughie is a member of the Seshat Indian Band and has lived all his life within a stone's throw of his birthplace. His modern home at the foot of Wattie's Hill, near the mouth of McCoy Creek on Somass River, replaced an old house destroyed by fire about 10 years ago.

For 23 years he worked in the hold, taking on the responsibility of siderunning while doing his share of the heavy work. For the past 23 years he has been a hatchtender.

When Empire Stevedoring Co. Ltd. honored him on his retirement, local superintendent Phil Houbregs said of the veteran waterfront worker: "A reliable man; a good conscientious worker." But he didn't say it to his face. When Watts turned up for the presentation ceremony, he received the same sort of ribbing he'd given and taken for 45 years. On the waterfront, reference to a man's racial background is a sign of affection, not prejudice.

Recalled were the practical jokes and the horseplay, the poker games and comradery of men who waited for ships to come in or sat in the hold waiting for the next sling load of cargo.

Of those gathered for the presentation, Hughie was the only one who remembered when lumber was brought to the dockside in a cart

drawn by a team of horses. He recalled the driver, the late Sammy Archer, and he saw the first Ross carriers put into use to bring lumber for loading.

He has seen shipping expand in Port Alberni. When he started his career, the APL dock welcomed three or four vessels each month. Now much bigger freighters call at the rate of one a day and longshoremen are despatched to the APD, the big assembly dock, or wharves at Somass and Alberni Pulp and Paper Division. They may be working on lumber, plywood, shingles, paper or pulp.

Back in the old days, when shipping was slack, Mr. Watts would have to go commercial fishing to make ends meet. He married young and raised 11 children. There was a bad time when he was laid up with a broken leg, suffered while he was berry picking on a day off so there were no workmen's compensation benefits.

He remembers that wages were about 85 cents an hour when he started longshoring in 1923, a rate approximately twice that of a millhand. During depression years, the waterfront workers took a cut, but there was the same differential between their rate and that of the

steadily employed mill worker's hourly pay.

Mr. Watts can claim to be one of the few longshoremen to remember loading sailing schooners. The ships, the Alberni and the Malahat, were pressed into service in the Second World War and came to Port Alberni to load lumber.

He remembers the millions of feet of logs which were shipped from this port before the development of the forest industry's large converting plants.

Sometimes the gangs would be sent to Green Cove in Uchucklesit Harbor, Alberni Inlet, to stow boxes of salt fish. Hughie remembers how the brine would run from the boxes, saturating clothes and smelling to high heaven. It happened that his gang was never sent to the fish processing plant at San Mateo Bay, but he remembers how unpopular the fish meal loading job was with other longshoremen.

There were trips to Nanoose and Chemainus on the east coast to load lumber and sometimes the gangs were despatched to Victoria. He remembers at least one job loading nitrates at James Island.

Big timbers were stowed with peaveys and man strength. Lumber was carried by men, who claimed their arms were stretched in the process. They called each other apes.

Millworkers spoke of "rich longshoremen" who earned twice as much per hour as they did and worked many hours of overtime, but the waterfront workers remember that it wasn't easy to make the wages spread over the days and sometimes weeks between boats.

Wives became used to the men waiting around in their sock feet for a call to work. They listened to talk of "butting out" and "winging up" and of who had won or lost in the crap games.

Shorter hours, better working conditions and higher wages have been established. Mechanization has



HUGHIE WATTS
... established tradition.

made the work lighter. Forklifts, travelling cranes and other machines have made a difference, as has the packaging of lumber, and the double winches which give a winch driver an hour off for each hour he works.

Listening to Hughie Watts, though, one would think that longshoring in the old days was one long picnic. In his retirement he plans a big garden and to do a little fishing. "But I'm going to miss the boys. Everybody knows me on the waterfront."

He has established a family tradition with his 45 years of longshoring. Two of his boys are on regular gangs and a third is bucking the spare board. There'll be Watts on the waterfront for years to come.

Story by RUTH STIRLING
Photo by W. Spriggs

BADGERED BADGER

Is extinction on the horizon for the badger? Some British Columbia naturalists fear it is. The British Columbia Nature Council is investigating the status of this animal and all sightings are being recorded in order to determine its present range and abundance.

A member of the weasel family, this tough, short-legged animal is found in the dry interior of British Columbia as far north as Narcosii Creek, near Quesnel. It is a bow-legged, pigeon-toed, rather cumbersome-appearing animal with an awkward gait. The short front legs are strong and well developed for digging both for food and protection.

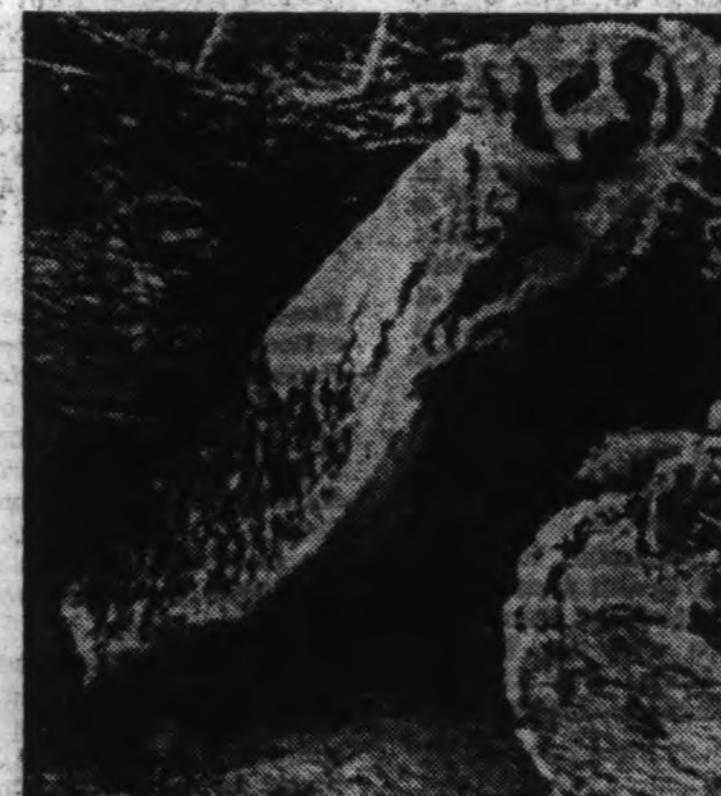
The over-all color is a yellowish-grey.

Mating occurs in autumn but growth of the embryo is interrupted for about two months during the cold weather. The offspring, which vary in number between one and five, are born in a den several feet underground that the mother has lined with grass.

The badger's slashing teeth and long sharp claws make it a formidable opponent in battle. It has few enemies other than man.

If a foolhardy dog or coyote does attack a badger it has difficulty obtaining a firm grip on the body because of the animal's heavy pelt and

loose skin. It can, in fact, hold its own against a pack of dogs. When attacked it may dig itself into the earth using all four feet and mouth. There is a flurry of flying dirt as the badger digs itself in so quickly that it seems to virtually disappear before one's eyes. Once the short stubby tail has vanished into the hole it pulls earth in after itself and plugs the hole making an effective barricade against molesters.



In England, also, there is fear for the survival of the badger. Although badger baiting along with bear baiting, was outlawed in England over 100 years ago, badger digging is still prevalent. The animal is hunted down with dogs, and, when discovered in his den, dug out and dispatched by blows to the head and nose. Badger digging is frequently undertaken with the virtuous attitude that the hunter is doing a service for the farmer in aiding him to rid his lands of a harmful pest. More conceivably it is an excuse to take part in a particularly obnoxious and cruel sport.

Actually the badger does far more good than harm for he consumes many rodents which eat the farmer's crops. In North America badger hunting is not a sport as it is in England, but the animal is considered a pest because of its workings. Destruction of its habitat, of course, plays a prominent part in the decrease in the population of the animal. Also, some naturalists think that badgers may be destroyed by taking poisoned baits put out for coyotes.

Although the British Columbia game regulations show no open season on the badger, they do state that a 25c royalty must be paid to the government for badger pelts.

But even if the badger is on the protected list in British Columbia no one can give it back the habitat that man, with his insatiable urge for progress, has taken away.

Man is the badger's only enemy — but what a formidable enemy!

ITCHY FEET

Emigrant—Where to Now? is the true story of a man and wife, residents of post-war England, whose feet itch to visit other places. The couple begin their trek intended to relieve that itch, and along their meandering route start a family which, like Topsy, grew and grew. Improbable material for a book? Possibly. But it makes a good tale for an afternoon reading session.

Emigrant is short, entertainingly written, informative, and highly enjoyable. It offers a relaxed exploration of what it is like to move from England to Australia, with a brief stop-over in B.C., thence back to Victoria, onward to New Zealand, and finally, back to Vancouver.

The crucial point of their restlessness begins in 1949, and our fledgling writer (this is his first book) doesn't bore the reader with superfluous background prior to his first move. His first sentence takes us aboard the CPR liner Empress of France as it prepares to sail for Halifax.

Mr. Smith completely avoids the guide book or tourist bureau pamphlet style of description. He furnishes answers one would have about other places if questioning him in person.

British Columbians, especially Vancouverites and Victorians, can only enjoy the descriptions of their communities as outlined by this visitor-turned-resident.

A forest of new high-rises created an imposing Vancouver skyline for this returning traveller, but drew only the caustic comment that this area of Canada equates children

EMIGRANT — WHERE TO NOW? by Reginald Smith; Vantage Press; 55 Pages; \$2.50.

with animals, because signs on those apartments read: "No Dogs-No Children."

"Thunderbird Park was a disappointment. A casual acquaintance waxed lyrical about this scenic spot, giving us the impression of grandeur and size; in actual fact, it was small—we strolled right past it unnoticed." Or his "beautiful, varied, scenic panorama, particularly the drive along the Malahat," are truthful impressions.

Mr. Smith's lucid description of other communities leads one to believe he is a man of wide knowledge and high intelligence, but he self-deprecatingly admits his failure to make a living with his own business in Victoria.

If you are contemplating a change of scene, as this gypsy-ish author did, or if you just enjoy an entertaining tale about another's experiences, by all means read *Emigrant—Where to Now?* — JACK A. MYERS.

Only the "Nuts" Are Sane!

The Canadian Mental Health Association is 50 years old and to mark this milestone it invited people outside its ranks to express their thoughts on mental health in the form of a "mini-essay."

The invitation went out to artists, professors, teachers, architects, designers, poets, writers, performers, politicians, businessmen, judges and, you name it. The contributions of those who responded are contained in an elegantly designed book titled *Probings*.

The brief, and mostly forthright, essays reflect the thinking of some of the most perceptive people in Canada. They include such widely disparate types as Kildare Dobbs, Roderick Haig-Brown, Harold Town, Ed Mirvish and Prime Minister Trudeau.

One can only guess the names of those who were invited to contribute and failed to respond and their silence speaks louder than words.

A surprising number of contributors approach the theme from the same angle, that the "nuts" are sane and the generally accepted balanced people are not only mad but often criminally insane.

That draft-card burners are jailed and stamped for life as cowards and traitors, whilst napalm-tossers are hailed as heroes; that a man who poisons his wife is hanged or imprisoned for life, whilst an industrialist who poisons rivers and the atmosphere, and therefore everybody, gets off scot-free.

That family life, as we have always known it, is a thing of the past because young people refuse to bow the knee to their morally bankrupt elders.

Those sacred cows, the doctors, come in for a hammering and hardest-hit of all are psychiatrists—the Freudian clique which causes untold damage by playing God.

The Canadian Mental Health Association must have been surprised at the tenor of these essays, and they are to be congratulated for publishing them as received.

Some of the essays are in French, and Trudeau's is actually a mixture of French and English. This is ridiculous. Either publish separate editions in the two languages or a bilingual edition. However, there are few French contributions and this shouldn't be allowed to put you off.

This is a book that deserves wide distribution and in view of its reasonable price there is no reason why it shouldn't have it.

Probings is obtainable from the Canadian Mental Health Association, 52 St. Clair Avenue East, Toronto 7, Ont. The price for the 96-page paperback is \$2.25, plus 25c for mailing and handling.—E.D.W.H.

NEW BOOKS and AUTHORS

Youth of '30s Was Angry Too

The loyal band of Dorothy Livesay followers, of which this reviewer is a life member, welcomes any book which carries her name on its spine.

The 40-year output of this important Canadian poet can be conveniently grouped into three distinct periods: the early short, imagistic and lyrical poems; the middle years; and the later period of the beautiful *The Unquiet Bed* and the earlier *Selected Poems*.

THE DOCUMENTARIES, by Dorothy Livesay; Ryerson; 56 pages; \$4.95.

ticity. Apart from their literary merit, they belong on the shelves of high school and university libraries as Canadian social history.

—E.D.W.H.

Also Received

Apocalypse Revealed, by Emanuel Swedenborg (Swedenborg Foundation, New York; 1,157 pages; \$2.50): New abridged version of Swedenborg's interpretation of the 22 chapters of the last book of the New Testament.

★ ★ ★
The Formative Years (Ryerson; 96 pages; \$3.95): This sketchy history of Canada's formative years (1812-1871) is notable for its illustrations by C. W. Jefferys, who is acknowledged to have been Canada's greatest historical artist. This volume appeared originally as the centennial issue of the Imperial Oil Review. Now published in hardcover, it is a further example of the felicitous marriage of industry and culture.

★ ★ ★
Canada Preserved (Copp Clark; 106 pages; \$2.50): In the summer of 1775 American forces made a determined bid to wrest control of Canada from the British. The futile attempt ended in their retreat in May 1776. *Canada Preserved* consists of the journal kept during those months by Thomas Ainslie, collector of customs and captain in the militia.

With an excellent introduction by editor Sheldon Cohen, this is a priceless morsel of Canadian history. The original manuscript is owned by Harvard University.

Delightful Pot-Pourri by Beverley Nichols

OF CATS, GARDENS, PEOPLE and THINGS

Reviewed by E. D. WARD-HARRIS

Only Beverley Nichols could have written *Garden Open Tomorrow*, a book combining textbook information with music, cat-worship, cynicism, erudition and enchantment.

Nichols is an inspired gardener and his own garden is a refuge of breathtaking beauty, as the thousands who have seen it (following his open invitation to his readers made five years in *Garden Open Today* can testify).

Garden Open Tomorrow, like its predecessor, is a delightful blend of fact and fantasy. He will suddenly interrupt a profound discourse on soil alkalinity with a description of a ballet performed by his cats, *Four and Five*.

An erudite analysis of rare flowers and shrubs effortlessly ascends into an essay on the theory of the relationship between flowers and music; a description of deadly nightshade leads quite naturally into the tale of a green-thumbed murderer.

As you will have gathered, this is no ordinary gardening manual, and yet despite his varied excursions Nichols has produced a work for the practical gardener, one to which everyone can profitably turn for instruction.

Most gardening books, like cookery books, are written by bare-faced plagiarists; and mostly they are deadly dull. This, I think, is because they concentrate on work and ignore the only sane reason for having a garden, which is the creation of a place of beauty as a heaven for the soul.

Beverley Nichols is a member of the dwindling breed of sedentary people who have managed to co-exist with modern crudities without compromising standards; people whose original minds are able to turn the commonplace into beauty; people able to switch from Mozart to Rabelais and enjoy both with the same zest.

For a man such as this to focus his mind, heart and literary ability on gardening is sheer joy for the reader. His book as one would expect contains much that is new, much that is provocative and a great deal to annoy the orthodox.

Mixed in with the factual, useful and extremely knowledgeable horticultural sections, and the delightful

digressions mentioned above, are sections on medicinal herbs, composting with the herbal preparation QR (Quick Return) — which is obtainable in Canada — invented by the elderly May Bruce, and observa-

GARDEN OPEN TOMORROW,
by Beverley Nichols; Heinemann; 268 pages; \$5.95.

tions on plant survival following a disastrous winter.

Two points must be mentioned. This book is about gardening in England, but it will prove to be of general usefulness in the Pacific Northwest. It is entirely devoted to ornamentals: there is nothing here for the avid vegetable grower.

If I may be permitted a personal note, may I say that I was particularly enamored by this book because it so accurately matches my wife's gardening and general philosophy, which time has proved to have been instinctively correct.

Their views on creatures (they hate to see them caged or commercialized) and on pesticides (they

consider them the invention of the devil and totally unnecessary to good gardening) and on music, priorities, humor, the fitness of things and respect for life, coincide in almost every particular. Of necessity, therefore, I am biased and in my eyes Nichols, like my wife, is 10 feet tall.

However, whether you are fortunate enough to have a wife like mine, or whether or not you agree with us, and with Nichols, that cats and gardens mix exceedingly well; and if you love growing things, whether as an active or an armchair-gardener, *Garden Open Tomorrow* will please you.

Lending charm to this delightful book with its evocative instructions — "Plant heathers in splurges" — are black and white drawings by William McLaren. These are accurate with a rather mid-Victorian flavor.

The Swaffields Discover Victoria

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head of the family was obliged to go wherever construction work took him, which meant continual moving.

"In 15 years of married life," her mother once noted wryly, "we've moved 13 times!"

Even as a small girl, Myrtle's chief hobby had always been her water colors, her chalks, and her pencils, but it wasn't until she was 16 that she received, a big event, her first box of oil paints.

This was a gift which gave some evidence of causing complications. It was made, she said, by an elderly bachelor who apparently had personal plans which included her.

"When these didn't work out," she laughed, "I wondered for a long time whether I was going to have to return the paints!"

However, the would-be suitor seemingly was no Indian giver. She kept her cherished oils, "and painted wild-roses all over everything!"

The Lewis family had wound up in Smeaton, where, in due course, Myrtle and Robert met. They were married in 1938. Now, for the first time, the young artist was able to obtain some formal training in her chosen field. She progressed rapidly. For several years she studied under Saskatchewan's noted artist, Gus Kenderdine, and later had a few sessions at Banff. She took up ceramics and sculpture as well.

When she went with her husband to England, she at once took advantage of the opportunity to attend two terms at the Polytechnic Art School and a further term at St. Martin's, in London.

She well remembers her first evening at the latter institution. She was new, she didn't know quite where to go or what to expect, and she was early. She went into what seemed an empty building, up dark stairs, and opened a door — to be confronted by a huge, scowling, dark-skinned male who appeared to be entirely naked except for a fancy head-dress!

The startled young lady snatched for her poise, took a second look, and was relieved to note that there was a loin-cloth to go with the turban affair. Whereupon it dawned on her that since the classes here worked with live models, this was indubitably one of them!

Myrtle Swaffield is an artist of genuine ability. This was recognized by the London Royal Institute, and two of her pictures were hung at a subsequent exhibition specifically for Colonial artists. She was one of seven to be so honored.

Back once more in Prince Albert, she taught art for some years and became increasing well-known as a painter. In fact, when the doctor retired and they decided to come to the west coast, the city presented

them with a farewell dinner, and a certificate to the artist expressing its appreciation of her contribution to its cultural standing.

Today, when weather permits, the doctor fly-fishes while his wife sketches. They have discovered Sooke, and as he proves its rivers she does dramatic black and white drawings of the rural scene, especially the big trees, which have impressed them both.

She has a studio in town, and here she works daily, and hopes, perhaps during this new year, to start art classes once more. In the meantime the big upstairs room above the Arbutus Arts and Crafts Club on Vancouver Street is filled with autumn scenes from the prairies, water-colors, pastels, and oils, a few done strongly with palette knife. There are pen and ink sketches, the pencil drawings of Sooke, several fine portraits, and examples of her sculpture and ceramics.

Among the portraits is one which catches the eye at once. It is the head and shoulders of a dark-skinned gentleman, with the high-bridged hooked nose, the sculptured lips, the dark eyes, and the arrogant expression which one notes rather often when visiting Egypt. He wears a colorful turban-like head-dress... and I wouldn't like to meet him either, on a dark night in an empty building! Clothes or no clothes!

Cameron Brothers Pioneered Island Timber Industry

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November of that year the framework was up. The new plant, equipped with the most up-to-date machinery, was opened in 1937 and commenced cutting lumber. Business steadily improved and the new mill was a far cry from the little one built over the water, with which the Camerons started.

In 1934 Matt Hemmingsen became interested in timber at Port Renfrew and approached Cameron Lumber to see if they would like to go into a proposition with him. They agreed, thus the Hemmingsen Cameron Company was organized to do the logging.

Matt was in charge of the project and made a splendid record. He had to oversee the rebuilding of the whole railroad put in by previous operators years before. New ties throughout, new bridges

and culverts were installed and most of the main line had to be re-ballasted.

The fir logs that came in from Port Renfrew were a great help to the log supply for the mill in Victoria. The cedar and hemlock began to have enough value that there was profit in taking it out.

Both the Cameron Lumber and Hemmingsen Cameron companies continued to prosper. A sad event happened in 1943 when J. O. Cameron died. With the splendid staff and crew, the business was carried on under the leadership of D. O. Cameron.

The Cameron Lumber Company Limited became of such stature that it attracted the attention of eastern capitalists who wanted to establish a lumber empire on the Pacific Coast of British Columbia. Negotiations were commenced

with that and several other lumber and logging companies in 1946.

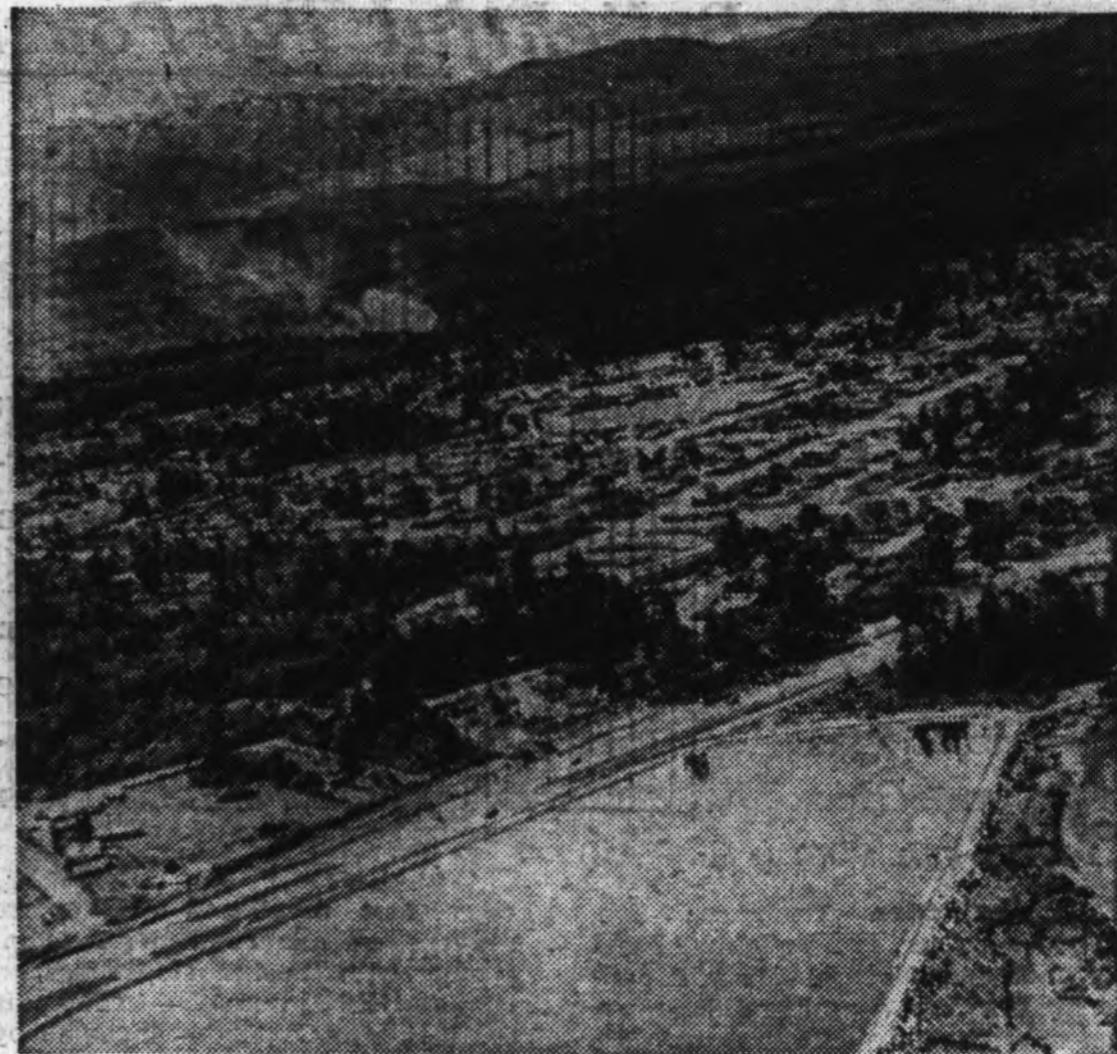
That offer finally made for the Cameron Lumber and Hemmingsen Cameron companies was such an intriguing proposition that all who had interests finally agreed. Thus those two companies ceased to exist and became the Victoria and Port Renfrew branches of the British Columbia Forest Products Limited.

"I look with gratification at all the new buildings and improvements carried out by the B.C. Forest Products," said D. O. Cameron, "and realize the tremendous difference from the start. As the only surviving member of the primary company organized here in 1907, I hope and trust that the succeeding company will continue to prosper and grow."

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THE SPARK PLUGS—(A couple of them are missing.) Members of the flying club, with one of the Council on opening day. Left to right: David Kirk, Wes Colebank, Bill Moore, city manager; Eric Franklin, whom both sides credit with extra burning zeal; Al Mitchell, Roy Robertson. (Free Press photo).



THE AIRSTRIP, skirting the lagoon and river, starts at lower left of picture.—(Geoff Ralphey photo.)

By FRANCES E. MITCHELL

AN AIRSTRIP OF THEIR OWN

Five years ago, a small group of enthusiastic owner-pilots met to talk over a common difficulty. The Comox Flying Club, situated on the Canadian Forces Base, Comox, B.C., and operated by service personnel on a part-time basis, allowed civilian pilots to use its facilities. However it did not encourage civilian aircraft to use their runways because of the hazards of military aircraft on training programs. With their planes limited to weekend flying, and often finding their plans then thwarted by adverse weather conditions throughout fall and winter, the club's spirit drooped.

Then miles from the service airport, was a strip of land which ran parallel with the west bank of the Courtenay River. Owned by the city of Courtenay, it was wild, thickly wooded land, tangled with underbrush dark with fir and pine trees. However, it had many advantages, and as the pilots flew over it again and again, they noted the clear approach from the sea, and the prevailing wind down the strip instead of dangerous cross currents. Could they build an airstrip there?

They approached the city council for permission.

It took a full year of debate to convince the Courtenay city council that such an airfield would benefit the whole area, and not just a handful of pilots. Speech after speech rang out at the Chamber of Commerce meetings, and finally this body sponsored a committee to study the question. Eventually the

results of a survey went to the city council.

Included was a report from the department of transport who offered valuable advice and sent over an engineer to check the qualifications of the site, which was fully approved. The general consensus was that an operational strip could be built for \$3,000.

Now as every City Father knows, there are 10 demands for every tax dollar, and the council had its own problems with city improvement. Sewage disposal, street paving, and many other projects. An airstrip seemed a luxury to them. Still, it would encourage tourists, and so the City of Courtenay gave permission to the group of flyers to use the land and clear it.

They also gave them the sum of \$100, disappointingly small, to help them rent a bulldozer. The owners of the equipment rallied to the cause, donating the use of some machines, asking only for gas and oil.

With so little money available for land clearing, it was apparent that elbow grease was in order. What

had begun as hangar-flying conversation, developed into a work party equipped with chain saws, shovels, axes, and wheelbarrows. The small group of flyers were air force and business men, with only their weekends to devote to the strip, and in rain and mud as well as fine weather they turned up in working clothes to do their bit.

It took them six long and weary months.

When they had cleared a rough patch about 1,500 feet long, and burned the slash, the group again approached the council, for the limited use of a city bulldozer, and financial help to firm the surface of the swampy strip.

It's difficult to convince non-fliers of the importance of an airstrip to the town's economy. Yet the group of flyers felt that the whole area would benefit by the landing field. Those who were business men pointed out the obvious advantages a field only one mile from the centre of town, and a block off the main highway would have on tourist trade.

The council, however, was divided on the issue. The flyers harped on the spectacular scenery, the beautiful approach from the sea. The council was still divided.

"Look," exclaimed the bird-men, "the tie-down area for the planes will be right beside the boat-ramps of the Courtenay Marina. Tourists can go fishing within 10 minutes from the time they land!"

Although their theories were persuasive, some council members felt that sewage, roads, and recreation costs were more important than an airstrip.

Maintenance and improvement of their park areas alone was costing in the thousands.

Undaunted, the air-oriented group pointed out that both areas were right in the heart of the motel district. "No long drive to town for the tourists."

Whether it was the talk of tourism or the fact that the department of transport was so helpful or the example of plain hard work that won over the City Father's would be hard to say. At any rate, the next year they gave a further sum of \$282 and again, \$160 to improve the facilities.

The existing 2,000 foot runway of the City of Courtenay, B.C., as previously stated, started with a little "hangar-flying" conversation, and snowballed into a great community enterprise.

The city council has now fenced off the tie-down area, and the landing strip has a packed gravel surface. There are telephone and refueling services too.

This has cost a further \$708 which means that over a period of five years, the total expense of the strip has been \$1,250, which is surely something of a record economy for such a good field!

Someday, who knows, it may be black-topped, and have a tower of its own. Seaplane facilities are being considered too.

And all because, (to distort an old saying) a determined and loquacious group of men, and a small city, "put their muscles and their money where their mouths were!"

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE

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